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Berrien losing another chief public defender

Christopher Renna submits resignation

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — For the second time since the Berrien County Public Defender's Office opened three years ago, Berrien County is losing its chief public defender to a larger county.

Christopher Renna, who succeeded Carl Macpherson as chief public defender, has submitted his resignation effective March 20, county Administrator Bill Wolf told the Berrien County Board of Commissioners on Thursday. In a letter to Wolf, Renna said he has accepted a position as chief public defender for Kalamazoo County.

RENNA

"Congratulations to Chris but this is our loss," Wolf said.

Berrien's Public Defender's Office opened in January 2017 with Carl Macpherson being the first public defender to lead the way. He put together a team of 12 lawyers, including Renna as his chief assistant. In August 2018, Macpherson left to take a job leading a team of 145 lawyers at the Metropolitan Public Defender Office in Portland, Ore.

Commissioner Ezra Scott asked whether the board needs to look at the salaries for the public defenders. Commissioner Bill Chickering, chairman of the county's Personnel and Human Services Committee, said the board needs to look at salaries in all areas of county employment and develop a plan to retain employees.

"We were one of the first (public defender offices) and we've done it very well, so counties that are behind are stealing our people," Chickering said.

Chairman Mac Elliott noted that, "We're also losing people to Ottawa County too, and we're losing people from the prosecutor's office."

Berrien County was a leader in the state in terms of providing quality representation for people who cannot afford an attorney, and was one of the first counties in Michigan to meet standards that eventually became state law. Other counties are now playing catch-up.

The state promised grant money through the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission for public defender offices that meet or exceed the standards.

In his resignation letter to Wolf, Renna said during his two years in Berrien County he has worked with some of the most honorable and dedicated public servants he has ever met.

"During my time as chief public defender we have successfully recruited people from all walks of life and from all phases of life," Renna wrote. "Our team members have spoken on behalf of Berrien

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Hospital staffers leaves their mark

Employees sign beam slated for new Bronson South Haven Hospital

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — When contractors erect the last steel beam for the new Bronson South Haven Hospital it will mark a special moment for doctors and staff.

Hospital employees took turns on Tuesday signing the beam with their signatures and writing special messages.

"We're getting ready to put the last beam up," Bronson Communications Specialist Jay Newmarch said. "We thought it would be nice for employees to leave their mark."

Carrie Conroy and Darcy Knapper said they were proud to take part.

"We want to keep the positivity of Bronson going and let the community know we're proud of this hospital," Conroy said.

Another employee who signed the beam, penned, "For all the positivity in this new beginning, here's to many more years."

Construction of the new $22 million hospital is going well, according to Bronson South Haven Vice President

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Bronson South Haven Hospital employees Darcy Knapper, left, and Carrie Conroy sign their names Tuesday on a steel beam which will be the final one to be erected for the hospital's new steel structure. The beam is expected to be lifted into place in two to three weeks.

Local Methodist clergy wary of possible split

All eyes are on General Conference vote set for May

By DEBRA HAIGHT
HP Correspondent

ST. JOSEPH — There are more questions than answers for area United Methodist congregants in the wake of a proposal that would split the denomination in two, with traditionalists breaking off to form their own church.

The dispute centers on whether same-sex marriages should be performed and whether LGBTQ clergy should be ordained. The matter had seemed to be settled last year when a majority of General Conference attendees voted to stay with the traditional interpretation of Scripture.

The issue resurfaced last week with news that a group of United Methodist leaders from around the globe had met and devised a way for the denomination to split. The group's proposal is expected to be voted on at the denomination's General Conference meeting in May.

"To me, it's sad to see this issue tearing a great denomination apart," the Rev. Dan Colthorp of First United Methodist Church in St. Joseph said. "I think every church has people on both sides of the issue. Our church is maybe more traditional."

He said he and members of his church are praying that God's will be done when the General Conference meets in May. The church will hold at least two town hall meetings in advance of the May vote to provide information to people, and to provide a platform for congregants to share their thoughts and feelings.

"What I'm telling the congregation is that the General Conference has a very important decision to make and I'm asking them to pray for the denomination and the church," he said. "We will be praying about it. Once we know what the General Conference has decided we can go from there."

Colthorp said the issue has been around in one form or another for nearly five decades.

"It's been going on since 1972," he said. "We're at the point that people will likely never agree and it's only hurting church growth. … We're realizing more and more that people are farther apart than we thought."

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Clementine's settles suit with Dept. of Labor

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — Two popular Southwest Michigan restaurants and their owner say they have reached a settlement with a federal agency that accused them of short-changing pay for some of their employees.

Clementine's Saloon in South Haven, Clementine's Too in St. Joseph and owner Al Ruppert plan to reimburse employees a total of $36,000 in back pay and damages assessed by the U.S. Department of Labor.

"Clementine's appreciates its employees, treats them fairly and believes that it fully has complied with the law," the company posted on its Facebook site. "We disputed and vigorously defended ourselves against what we believe were unfounded charges by the U.S. Department of Labor. However, for business reasons, in order to avoid protracted and costly litigation, the company decided to enter into a modest settlement agreement."

"We decided to accept the settlement. We want it to be over," said Clementine's General Manager Sue Frederick.

A judgment settlement over a lawsuit filed by the Department of Labor against Clementine's was entered Monday, Jan. 6, in U.S. Sixth District Court. The judge in the case signed the consent agreement on Thursday, according to Scott Allen, the U.S. Department of Labor's regional director for public affairs and media relations.

The lawsuit said Clementine's violated the federal Fair Labor Standards Act by not classifying some of its workers as minimum wage employees, but rather as ones who receive a combination of wages and tips.

The Department of Labor said Clementine's should have classified its expediter staff in the same wage category as kitchen staff. Instead, the two restaurants put expediters in the same classification as servers and bartenders, who receive a combination of hourly wages and tips.

The Department of Labor began investigating the restaurants' wage practices in November 2018 and presented their findings in May 2019, according to Frederick. The investigation involved an examination of wages paid to employees between 2016 and 2018.

Frederick said the restaurant did not purposely mean to violate federal labor laws involving restaurant worker wages.

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Tom Steyer is 6th candidate to qualify for next week's debate

By KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Billionaire Tom Steyer qualified Thursday for next week's Democratic presidential debate, putting him on stage in Iowa alongside five other candidates.

"This campaign has a fair bit of momentum right now," he said while campaigning in New Hampshire after learning he'd qualified.

STEYER

He'll join former Vice President Joe Biden, Sen. Elizabeth Warren, Sen. Amy Klobuchar, Sen. Bernie Sanders and former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg on Tuesday in Des Moines.

The debate comes just weeks before the Feb. 3 Iowa caucuses, the first voting contest of the primary campaign.

Steyer qualified by hitting polling and donor thresholds set by the Democratic National Committee.

A new Fox News poll conducted in South Carolina put Steyer at 15 percent, and another Fox News poll in Nevada put him at 12 percent. A candidate can meet the polling qualifications for the debate based on having received 7 percent support or higher in at least two qualifying early state polls released between Nov. 14, 2019, and Jan. 10, 2020. He's been running television ads in both South Carolina and Nevada.

In previous early state and national polls, Steyer has mostly been in the low to mid-single digits.

"I think he's shown a lot of durability and is growing incrementally, and he's going to continue to be well financed," said Bill Carrick, a longtime California and Democratic presidential strategist.

Steyer hit the requirement of getting 225,000 unique donations with at least 1,000 each coming from 20 states.

He's also tapped his personal fortune to finance his campaign. Steyer, who was a hedge-fund manager before committing his money to charity and political causes, argues that his record as a successful businessman makes him a strong contender against Trump, whom he brands as a "fraud and failure" in his television advertisements.

He's invested heavily in California and national political causes in recent elections, including through his "Need to Impeach" campaign that called for Trump's impeachment long before House Speaker Nancy Pelosi was able to move ahead. He's also spent millions arguing for political action to fight climate change.

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Mega Millions jackpot
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House approves measure to restrain Trump's actions on Iran

By MATTHEW DALY
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Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., meets with reporters following escalation of tensions this week between the U.S. and Iran, Thursday, on Capitol Hill in Washington.

WASHINGTON — Reigniting a debate over who has the power to declare war, the Democratic-controlled House on Thursday approved a resolution asserting that President Donald Trump must seek approval from Congress before engaging in further military action against Iran.

The war powers resolution is not binding on the president and would not require his signature. But House Speaker Nancy Pelosi nonetheless insisted it "has real teeth" because "it is a statement of the Congress of the United States."

The measure will "protect American lives and values" by limiting Trump's military actions, Pelosi said. "The administration must de-escalate and must prevent further violence."

The White House called the resolution "ridiculous" and "completely misguided."

The House passed the measure, 224-194, with just three Republicans voting in support. Eight Democrats opposed the measure.

A similar proposal by Sen. Tim Kaine, D-Va., faces an uphill fight in the GOP-run Senate. Kaine's efforts received a boost Thursday as Republican Sen. Todd Young of Indiana, an ex-Marine, said he might support the war powers measure. Two other Republican senators said Wednesday they would back Kaine's plan.

"We are members of a separate and distinct branch of government. It is our duty not to take anyone's word for things as we are dealing with matters of life and death," Young said, adding that he wished Trump administration officials had provided more intelligence information during a briefing Wednesday on a U.S. drone strike that killed a top Iranian general.

Pelosi, in announcing the House vote, called the killing of Gen. Qassem Soleimani "provocative and disproportionate."

Louisiana Rep. Steve Scalise, the No. 2 House Republican, denounced the Democratic measure as little more than "a press release designed to attack President Trump," while House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy of California called it a "meaningless vote" on a measure that will never be sent to the president or "limit his constitutional authority to defend the American people."

White House spokesman Hogan Gidley said, "This House resolution tries to undermine the ability of the U.S. Armed Forces to prevent terrorist activity by Iran and its proxies, and attempts to hinder the President's authority to protect America and our interests in the region from the continued threats."

The House vote came a day after the Trump administration briefed lawmakers on its actions in Iran. Democrats and several Republicans called the briefings inadequate, adding that officials did not provide enough details about why the attack was justified.

Vice President Mike Pence said Thursday that Soleimani "was traveling the region making plans to bring an attack against American personnel and American forces." He said it was not possible to share full details of the intelligence with lawmakers.

"When it comes to intelligence we have to protect sources and methods, there's only certain amount we can share with every member of Congress," Pence said on ABC's "Good Morning America." "But those of us who have seen all the evidence know that there was a compelling case of imminent threat against American personnel."

Trump said Thursday that he "had calls from numerous senators and numerous congressmen and women saying it was the greatest presentation they've ever had."

Referring to criticism by GOP Sens. Mike Lee and Rand Paul, Trump said: "They want information that honestly I think is very hard to get. ... It really had to do with sources and information that we had that really should remain at a very high level."

Lee, a conservative from Utah, said the briefing by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and other officials was "probably the worst briefing I've seen, at least on a military issue," in the nine years he's served in the Senate.

Paul, of Kentucky, said administration officials justified killing Soleimani based on the 2002 authorization of force in Iraq. "That is absurd. That's an insult," he said.

Pelosi scheduled the House vote after Iran retaliated for the Soleimani killing by launching missiles at two military bases in Iraq that house American troops. No casualties were reported.

"Congress hereby directs the President to terminate the use of United States Armed Forces to engage in hostilities in or against Iran or any part of its government or military" unless Congress declares war on that country or enacts legislation authorizing use of force to prevent an attack on the U.S. and its forces, the five-page resolution states.

The resolution's sponsor, freshman Rep. Elissa Slotkin, D-Mich., said it is intended to "make clear that if the president wants to take us to war, he must get authorization from Congress."

If loved ones are going to be sent to fight in a protracted war, "the president owes the American people a public conversation about why, and for what ends," said Slotkin, a former CIA analyst and Pentagon official who served in Iraq.

Members of Congress have a constitutional responsibility to uphold in authorizing use of military force, Slotkin said, adding, "We are owed concrete, specific details on strategy."

Trump did not consult with congressional leaders ahead of the attack that killed the Iranian general and afterward sent Congress a notification explaining the rationale, but kept it classified.

Congress has allowed its war powers role to erode since the passage of Authorization for Use of Military Force in 2001 to fight terrorism after the 9/11 attacks, and passage of another AUMF for the invasion of Iraq in 2002.

Fallout from those votes deeply divided Congress and the nation, with many lawmakers, particularly Democrats, now saying they were mistakes. Yet Congress has been paralyzed on the question of whether to repeal or change those authorities.

Upton votes against War Powers Act

U.S. Rep. Fred Upton, R-St. Joseph, issued the following statement after voting against the War Powers Resolution pushed by Democrats in Congress on Thursday:

"As members of Congress, we must do everything we can to protect American citizens at all costs.

"Last week, I supported the president's decision to kill one of the world's deadliest terrorists. I left yesterday's classified briefing convinced that the evidence was compelling, leaving no doubt that we stopped an imminent strike against U.S. interests. I understand specific details have to be withheld to protect intelligence assets.

"I agree we need to have a substantive discussion on war powers and the balance between the president's authority to address imminent threats and Congress' constitutional responsibility to declare war, but we should not play politics with our nation's security. Our service members deserve better and the American people deserve better.

"I don't ever want to look back wondering what we should have done to prevent 'the horse from getting out of the barn.' Moving forward, the safety of American troops and the American people will remain our ultimate goals."

U.S. courts rule for walls both public and private

By NOMAAN MERCHANT and KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press

Matt York / AP
Government contractors erect a section of Pentagon-funded border wall along the Colorado River in Yuma, Ariz. on Sept. 10.

WASHINGTON — Crews could start building a private border wall in South Texas within the coming days following a federal judge's ruling Thursday that lifted a restraining order against the project.

U.S. District Judge Randy Crane's order was the second federal ruling in two days in favor of border barriers. On Wednesday, the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals lifted a lower court's stay that had prevented President Donald Trump's administration from diverting $3.6 billion from military construction projects to fund 175 miles of border wall.

While the White House on Thursday celebrated the appeals court's ruling, saying it rightfully lifted an "illegitimate nationwide injunction," Crane's ruling actually went against the U.S. government's position.

Fisher Industries, a North Dakota-based construction firm, wants to install 3 miles of steel posts about 35 feet from the U.S. bank of the Rio Grande, the river that forms the U.S.-Mexico border in Texas. The company's president, Tommy Fisher, wants to spend $40 million on the private border wall – originally promoted by a pro-Trump online fundraising group – to prove that his company can build barriers more effectively.

The U.S. government sued to stop Fisher on the grounds that building so close to the Rio Grande risked changing the flow of the river and potentially pushing floodwaters into Mexico, in violation of treaty obligations. The U.S. attorney's office argued the project could shift the river and the international boundary, which violated the president's authority "to conduct the foreign relations of the United States."

Existing segments of fencing and the small sections that the government is currently building typically run along the Rio Grande levee or through property a significant distance away from the river. The U.S. is currently working to seize private land to build more sections of wall in Texas.

Crane issued a restraining order in December, but lifted that order Thursday. He also declined to grant a restraining order at the request of the National Butterfly Center, a nonprofit located next to the South Texas construction site. The butterfly center and environmentalists warn building a border barrier so close to the river could worsen erosion and potentially damage other land.

Fisher Industries has submitted documents to the government that argue installing fence posts and clearing and grading the land will reduce flooding, though environmentalists disagree with that claim.

Speaking after the hearing Thursday, Fisher said his work crews were ready to start working Sunday and could install all of the steel posts in a week.

"We look forward to showing the whole entire world that you can have border protection where you need it," Fisher said.

The butterfly center had been in the path of a potential border wall for years until Congress effectively exempted it and several other environmentally sensitive areas and cultural sites.

Marianna Trevino Wright, the center's executive director, said Thursday's ruling "makes you wonder when it's going to end and how many more of these proxies are there."

At the 5th Circuit, the 2-1 ruling announced Wednesday allows the government to move forward with 11 projects in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. The longest and most expensive by far would span 52 miles in Laredo, Texas, at an estimated cost of $1.27 billion.

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BERRIEN COUNTY

Road department earns praise for performance

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Just a little over two years ago, the Berrien County Road Commission was in turmoil.

But now the Berrien County Road Department and its director and foremen are getting high praise from the Berrien County Board of Commissioners, which made the team a department of the county in September 2017.

Jason Latham, director, gave the board an update Thursday during the board's Committee of the Whole meeting. He outlined winter maintenance procedures and offered tips to residents for navigating winter.

Commissioner Jon Hinkelman told Latham and his management crew, "We want you guys to know what a great job you're doing. People are very appreciative."

To the board of commissioners, Hagar Township Supervisor Izzy DiMaggio said, "Probably one of the best things you guys have done is take over the road department, and the second best thing was to hire Jason."

After several years of controversy surrounding the road commission, the county board voted in September 2017 to take over the road commission and create the Berrien County Road Department.

Latham took over as managing director in February 2018. He said although there has been no snow accumulation so far in 2020, crews are busy cutting back brush, patching potholes, removing trees and limbs after wind storms and maintaining equipment for winter.

When snow does hit, Latham said, the road department's first priority will be the county's primary roads, followed by secondary roads and, finally, residential streets and subdivisions. He said after a major snowstorm, it might be two days before the

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Don Campbell / HP file photo

A Berrien County Road Department plow clears the shoulder along Yore Avenue in Benton Harbor after a snowfall.

MOBILE HOME DESTROYED

Photo provided / South Haven Area Emergency Services

A mobile home in Columbia Township in Van Buren County was destroyed by fire on Thursday. Firefighters from three departments responded to the 7:40 a.m. alarm, according to South Haven Area Emergency Services. The mobile home on County Road 384 near 52nd Street was totally engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived and the occupants had safely left the residence. Assisting the Columbia Township firefighters were Bangor Community department and South Haven Area Emergency Services. LIFE ambulance and Michigan State Police were also on the scene. The cause is under investigation. No injuries were reported.

STEVENSVILLE

Village annoyed by shifting light pole styles

Company keeps changing what is offered

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — Visitors to Stevensville know they have arrived when they encounter the decorative street lights that line the village's business areas.

At various times of the year, banners and flower baskets hang from the poles.

But the poles have to be replaced when they are damaged, which is becoming difficult because for the second time in less than four years, the style of pole village trustees have chosen has been discontinued, said Treasurer Barbi Hoge after a recent meeting.

She said that three years ago, trustees committed to purchasing 24 new light poles over six years.

"We're small. We don't have a very big budget. We can only purchase four a year," she said, adding that the annual cost was almost $12,000, which included brackets and flower pot hangers.

The new light poles were a different style than what the village already had because the original style was discontinued. Hoge said trustees had a plan to move the light poles around so the styles were in different areas of the village.

Now, halfway into the plan, Hoge said the village was informed that this second style is being discontinued.

She said the company has offered to the village poles that not only look different from either of the previous two styles, but are much more expensive, at over $5,000 a piece.

"They are still the same kind of style where everything hooks into a bracket rather than using bands so everything slides into the poles," she said. "But there bases are different. Even the flower pot hangers are different."

She said trustees prefer using poles with brackets because the accessories slide into channels built into the poles and they look nicer. She said the bands rub on the poles and damage them.

"When we committed to those poles, we were told this was a Michigan company that's been around forever," she said. "Now we're 12 poles in and they're gone."

She said they are looking at options, including contacting the manufacturer directly.

During the meeting, trustees also discussed how to raise money for a pavilion to be added to Hickory Creek Park off John Beers Road.

Hoge said a dog park added to the location this past summer has been a huge success. She said grants the village could apply for all require 50/50 matching funds, which the village doesn't have.

In other business during the meeting, trustees approved spending:

- $892.49 on 40 padded chairs on a rolling cart;
- $3,000 for a snow box that attaches to the village's front end loader;
- $1,664.62 to replace the carpet in the two front offices of the village hall.

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Michigan town 'stinks;' Council buys marijuana odor device

BESSEMER (AP) — Is that a skunk? No, it's marijuana.

A small town in Michigan's western Upper Peninsula is buying an odor-detection device and drafting an ordinance to crack down on the unpleasant smell of blooming marijuana plants.

Bessemer City Manager Charly Loper said the Nasal Ranger could be used to check a variety of bad-air complaints, but she acknowledged that marijuana appears to be the key target.

"The city of Bessemer stinks," council member Linda Nelson said Monday as the council voted to buy the device, which will cost $3,400 with training. "You can smell marijuana everywhere. We've got people who can't sit in their backyard because the smell from their neighbor is so bad."

Medical marijuana has been around since 2008. But Michigan's 2018 law, which cleared the way for homegrown pot for recreational use, has brought challenges to communities.

The odor problem in Bessemer, population 1,905, occurs when marijuana plants are in bloom, especially during warmer months, Loper told The Associated Press.

"The bloom period lasts six to eight weeks," Loper said Thursday. "A lot of people describe it as a skunk-like odor. It can be strong.

"We're treading very softly in this area," she said. "People have a right to grow marijuana in their house, but everyone needs to be considerate of their neighbors so the odor isn't affecting their enjoyment of the outdoors."

Bessemer is 6 miles from the Wisconsin border. The Michigan law has attracted people from Wisconsin and Minnesota who are buying houses and growing marijuana indoors, Loper said.

It's possible that some Bessemer residents might require an air-filtration system in their homes, she said.

"Somebody's got to take a stand. This is a piece of equipment we need," council member Terry Kryshak said of the Nasal Ranger.

The council voted 4-1 in favor of the device, the Daily Globe reported.

Couple arrested after police standoff near Niles

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

NILES — A standoff with police southeast of Niles that lasted nearly more than 13 hours Wednesday into Thursday ended early in the morning with two people being taken into custody, police said.

About a dozen police agencies were involved with the incident, which included safely freeing a 5-year-old child and getting two adults to surrender peacefully.

The incident began at about 1:35 p.m. Wednesday when members of the Fugitive Apprehension Street Team (FAST), along with the U.S. Marshal's Service Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force, went to a house in the 33000 block of Redfield Street in Cass County's Milton Township.

FAST members went to the house in an attempt to get information and/or locate a fugitive wanted in LaPorte County, Ind., for several alleged offenses. Inside the house were the wanted fugitive, a man; an adult woman and a young child, according to Cass County Sheriff Richard Behnke. The fugitive showed a firearm, forcing a police sergeant to retreat, Behnke said.

FAST established a perimeter around the house and more Michigan police agencies were called out to help.

Negotiators from the Cass County Sheriff's Office, the Berrien County Sheriff's Office and Michigan State Police communicated with the fugitive for several hours, and at about 10:11 p.m. Wednesday the child was released from the residence.

Around 2:30 a.m. Thursday a tactical response team breached the attached garage door of the residence, and at 2:45 a.m. the man and woman exited the house and were taken into custody. Both now are facing criminal charges in Cass County and LaPorte County.

Behnke said the man is wanted by the LaPorte County Sheriff's Office on the following charges: a Petition of Revocation of Bond on an original charge of robbery resulting in serious bodily injury, and two counts of failure to appear on an original charge of theft. Police have not said what charge or charges the woman faces.

Behnke said their names will be released after they are arraigned.

Cass County Sheriff deputies were assisted at the scene by the Cass County Warrant Service Team which included members from Cass County Sheriff's Office, Dowagiac Police Department, Pokagon Tribal Police Department and Edwardsburg/Ontwa Township Police Department; the Berrien County TRU Team and Michigan State Police Niles Post and Emergency Response Team.

Berrien County Sheriff Paul Bailey said members of his department, including Chief Deputy Robert Boyce, were at the scene until the standoff ended. Boyce said due to the number of hours, police from other areas of Michigan were on standby to take over.

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Lilly Trapp crowned Miss Coloma

Ian Ishmael earns Mr. Coloma title

By HP STAFF

TRAPP

ISHMAEL

COLOMA — Lilly Trapp was crowned Miss Coloma on Saturday at the Coloma High School auditorium, while Ian Ishmael snagged the title of Mr. Coloma.

Joining Trapp on her court is Isabelle Stevens, first runner-up, and Rachael Arnold, second runner-up. Bailey Siglow was named Miss Congeniality.

Joining Ishmael are Ethan Price, first runner-up and Nick Santarias, second runner-up. Caleb Winfield was named Mr. Nice Guy.

Trapp, 17, attends Coloma High School. She enjoys singing and traveling and wants to attend Southwestern Michigan College, then transfer to Ferris University seeking a degree in pharmacy. Trapp is in Chamber Choir, Varsity Singers, the Serenade Choir, all-state jazz ensemble and Academic Challenge.

Stevens, 17, also of Coloma High School, is interested in attending college to become a nurse. Stevens is in the honor society, student council, sideline and competitive cheer and Chambers Choir.

Arnold, 17, also attends Coloma High School, where she is in student council, marching band, concert band, and is in sideline and competitive cheer.

Siglow, 17, attends Lake Michigan Catholic High School. She plans to attend Saint Mary's College to seek a master's degree in speech-language pathology. Siglow has numerous hobbies and activities, and has been involved with student council, honor society and band, plus tennis cross country and track.

Ishmael, 18, attends Coloma High School. He hopes to attend the U.S. Naval Academy and is involved in student council, honor society, marching band, along with baseball, football and wrestling.

Price, 17, also attends Coloma High School. He enjoys baseball, where he has been named all-state, plus hunting, camping, kayaking and golfing. He hopes to play baseball at the next level and then become a carpenter.

Santarias is also 17 and attends Coloma High School. He plans to attend Lake Michigan College and then transfer a university. He is on student council and plays football, bowling and track.

Winfield is 17 and goes to Coloma High School. He plays soccer and track and plans to attend Central Michigan University for physical therapy.

The theme of the event was "Paw Paw lake ... The greatest lake to play in." Rochelle Ulleg hosted the event.

In brief

Indiana woman killed in crash on U.S. 31

NILES — A Goshen, Ind. woman was killed Thursday afternoon in a collision near the 6-mile marker on southbound U.S. 31, according to the Berrien County Sheriff's Office.

The woman, 35, was not identified. The crash occurred about 2:30 p.m.

Police said she was headed north in a silver Chrysler Concord and crossed the median, hitting a southbound Ford Fusion. There were two people in the Fusion, a 17-year-old male from Niles and his 16-year-old female passenger, also from Niles. The were transported to Memorial Hospital in South Bend with non-life threatening injuries.

The Goshen woman was also take to Memorial, where she later died from her injuries, police said.

The sheriff's department was assisted at the scene by the county accident investigation team, the Niles Township Fire Department, Michigan State Police and SMCAS Ambulance Service.

The accident remains under investigation.

Car hits house in Dowagiac

DOWAGIAC — A Dowagiac man was taken to the hospital with minor injuries after crashing his car into a house in the 500 block of West High Street in the city, police said.

Sgt. David Davis of the Dowagiac Police Department said it happened at about 4:40 p.m. Wednesday. The 47-year-old man, who police did not identify, is believed to have suffered a medical event prior to the collision, Davis said. He was taken to Borgess-Lee Memorial Hospital by Pride Care ambulance.

The house sustained substantial structural damage, but no one in the house was injured. The accident remains under investigation.

Meeting set for South Co. Democratic Club

NILES — The South County Democratic Club announces that it will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 2020 at the Greater Niles Senior Center, 1109 Bell Road, Niles.

Joey Andrews, an organizer for the Michigan Democratic Party, will lead a discussion of how he helps candidates for various offices. There will be other short discussions relating to election season.

LaSata announces SJ coffee hour Jan. 17

LANSING — State Sen. Kim LaSata, R-Bainbridge Township, has announced an upcoming opportunity for area residents to meet with her for coffee and discuss state and local issues.

The senator will be available to take questions, provide information and listen to suggestions on issues affecting residents, according to a news release, from 8-9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at Biggby Coffee in downtown St. Joseph. No appointment is necessary.

For more information or to contact LaSata, visit StateSenatorKimLaSata.com, or call 517-373-6960.

Roads

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crews get to the subdivisions.

"It's a balancing act," he said. "Our goal is to do the right thing."

He said each of the 45 medium equipment operators (plow/salt truck drivers) has about 40 miles of road to clear. Day shift normally works 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., while night shift works 6 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. But during a snow event, the night foreman can call in the day shift to start at 4 a.m. and keep night shift workers until 4:30 a.m., providing 24-hour coverage. During a weekend snow event, a full crew will work 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. to clear the roads, Latham said.

"Our goal is to make sure roads are passable," he said. "But we also need people to drive for conditions."

He said motorists should give plow trucks plenty of room to maneuver, should stay back from intersections when a plow is coming, and should not pass a plow truck. He said residents can help the road department by not parking on the street during a snow event, not shoveling snow into the street and keeping children away from the street. He said children like to play on and around snow banks near the road, and that can become unsafe.

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Jail reform ideas get key approval

By ANGIE JACKSON
Detroit Free Press

LANSING — A task force charged with proposing ways to reduce Michigan's jail population and expand alternatives to incarceration on Thursday voted to approve a final report that officials hope lawmakers will use as a framework for reform.

The list of proposals by the Michigan Joint Task Force on Jail and Pretrial Incarceration won't be unveiled to the public until a news conference with legislative leaders planned for Tuesday. The report will be presented to Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey and House Speaker Lee Chatfield today.

The recommendations are expected to address all stages of the criminal justice process at the local level, from arrest to jail sentence and probation.

Attorney General Dana Nessel was the only task force member to abstain from voting in support of the report, saying that several areas of suggested reform don't strike an appropriate balance among the impact to people who are incarcerated, crime victims and the costs to communities.

"We can never lose sight of the impact that a crime has on a victim, and while we must strive for bold reform, those reforms cannot be at the expense of the individuals the system was designed to protect," Nessel said.

Among the proposals is a recommendation to stop the practice of suspending a driver's license for failing to appear in court or failing to pay court fines and fees, said Amanda Alexander, executive director of the Detroit Justice Center, who sits on the task force.

Lt. Gov. Garlin Gilchrist, a co-chair of the coalition established by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, said to expect a "bold" recommendation regarding cash bail.

The bipartisan 21-member task force is made up of law enforcement officials, attorneys, legislators, victims of crime, and people who are formerly incarcerated. During concluding remarks Thursday, some members characterized the policy strategies as progressive, while others said the recommendations don't go far enough and that there's still much more work to be done.

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In brief

Foot clinic at senior center is Jan. 17

ST. JOSEPH — The St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Center, 3271 Lincoln Ave., will host a foot clinic on Jan. 17 by appointment only.

Van's Medical Equipment provides the service, which also is available to diabetics with a doctor's order.

The first visit is $30, which includes a reusable foot care kit. Follow-up visits are $25.

The service is available to those 60 and older.

To make an appointment, call 429-7768.

Surgeons to discuss weight loss options

NILES – The Lakeland Weight Loss Center will host a free seminar, "Lose Weight ... Find Health," from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday in the community conference room at Lakeland Medical Suites, 41 N. St. Joseph Ave.

Bariatric surgeons Michael Schuhknecht and Seth Miller will discuss programs available for losing weight and maintaining a healthy weight.

The Lakeland Weight Loss Center works with each of its patient to create a customized lifestyle plan through bariatric surgery, diet and nutrition counseling, and monthly support groups.

For more info, or to register, visit lakelandweightlosscenter.com/events or call 927-5361.

Informational event to address tinnitus

ST. JOSEPH — Dr. Kasewurm's Professional Hearing Services, 511 Renaissance Drive, Suite 100, will host an informational event for people with tinnitus – the perception of ringing, buzzing or whistling in their ears – at 5 p.m. Jan. 27.

Drs. Terry McIlvaine and Hannah Reeg, and Tony Meyer, a certified hearing instrument specialist, will discuss the causes, symptoms and potential relief solutions for tinnitus.

Tinnitus isn't a condition itself, according to a new release, it's a symptom of an underlying condition, such as hearing loss, ear injury or a circulatory system disorder. Although tinnitus can worsen with age, it can improve with treatment for many people.

To register, call 982-3444. Space is limited.

For more information, visit www.prohear.net.

Matter of Balance volunteers needed

ST. JOSEPH — The Region IV Area Agency on Aging is looking for volunteer coaches to teach Matter of Balance classes.

"Matter of Balance – Managing Concerns About Falls" is a program designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity among older adults.

What do you need to be a coach?

Good communication and interpersonal skills; enthusiasm, dependability and a willingness to lead small groups of older adults; and the ability to lead low- to moderate-level exercise.

For more information, contact Julie Schwarz at 982-7759 or julieschwarz@areaagencyonaging.org.

An upcoming training session is scheduled for 1-5 p.m. Jan. 21 and 23 at the AAA, 2900 Lakeview Ave.

Some pet products touted as CBD don't have any, researchers say

By MARY ESCH
Associated Press

Carrie Antlfinger / AP photos

Amy Carter lets her dog Bentley lick her face at her home in Wisconsin. Carter gives him CBD, which she says has reduced his epilepsy-related seizures.

Companies have unleashed hundreds of CBD pet health products accompanied by glowing customer testimonials claiming the cannabis derivative produced calmer, quieter and pain-free dogs and cats.

But some of these products are all bark and no bite.

"You'd be astounded by the analysis we've seen of products on the shelf with virtually no CBD in them," said Cornell University veterinary researcher Joseph Wakshlag, who studies therapeutic uses for the compound. "Or products with 2 milligrams per milliliter, when an effective concentration would be between 25 and 75 milligrams per milliliter. There are plenty of folks looking to make a dollar rather than produce anything that's really beneficial."

Such products can make it to the shelves because the federal government has yet to establish standards for CBD that will help people know whether it works for their pets and how much to give.

Still, there's lots of individual success stories that help fuel a $400 million market that grew more than tenfold since last year and is expected to reach $1.7 billion by 2023, according to the cannabis research firm Brightfield Group.

Amy Carter of St. Francis, Wis., decided to go against her veterinarian's advice and try CBD oil recommended by a friend to treat Bentley, her epileptic Yorkshire terrier-Chihuahua mix. The little dog's cluster seizures had become more frequent and frightening despite expensive medications.

"It's amazing" Carter said. "Bentley was having multiple seizures a week. To have only six in the past seven months is absolutely incredible."

But some pet owners have found CBD didn't work.

Dawn Thiele, an accountant in Oak Creek, Wis., said she bought a $53 bottle of CBD oil from a local shop in hopes of calming her 2-year-old Yorkshire terrier during long car trips.

"I didn't see a change in his behavior," said Thiele, who nonetheless remains a believer. "The product is good, it just didn't work for my dog."

Short for cannabidiol, CBD is a non-intoxicating molecule found in hemp and marijuana. Both are cannabis plants, but only marijuana has enough of the compound THC to get users high. The vast majority of CBD products come from hemp, which has less than 0.3 percent THC.

CBD has garnered a devoted following among people who swear by it for everything from stress reduction to better sleep. Passage of the 2018 Farm Bill, which eased federal legal restrictions on hemp cultivation and transport, unleashed a stampede of companies rushing products to the market in an absence of regulations ensuring safety, quality and effectiveness.

Products for people were swiftly followed by CBD chewies, oils and sprays for pets.

"The growth is more rapid than I've seen for any product in 20 years in this business," said Bill Bookout, president of the National Animal Supplement Council, an industry group whose member companies agree to testing and data-gathering requirements. "There's a gold rush going on now. Probably 95 percent of the industry participants are responsible, but what's dangerous is the fly-by-night operative that wants to cash in."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is developing regulations for marketing CBD products, for pets or people.

This year, it has sent warning letters to 22 companies citing violations such as making claims about therapeutic uses and treatment of disease in humans or animals or marketing CBD as a dietary supplement or food ingredient.

CBD products for pets are shown at the CBD dispensary Laughing Grass in West Allis, Wis.

"It's really the Wild West out there," said S. David Moche, founder of Applied Basic Science, a company formed to support Colorado State University's veterinary CBD research and now selling CBD online.

He advises consumers to look for a certificate of analysis from a third-party testing laboratory to ensure they're getting what they pay for.

"Testing and labeling is going to be a critical part of the future of this industry," Moche said.

Wakshlag said products must be tested not only for CBD level, but also to ensure they're free of toxic contaminants such as heavy metals and pesticides and have only trace amounts of THC, which in higher levels is toxic to dogs.

Bookout said his organization has recorded very few health incidents involving CBD and no deaths.

Still, scientific documentation of CBD's safety and efficacy is nearly nonexistent.

That's starting to change, however. A small clinical trial at Colorado State University published in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association in June found CBD oil reduced seizure frequency in 89 percent of the epileptic dogs that received it.

A clinical study headed by Wakshlag at Cornell, published in Frontiers in Veterinary Science in July 2018, found CBD oil helped increase comfort and activity in dogs with osteoarthritis.

Stephanie McGrath, a Colorado State University researcher, is now doing a larger clinical trial funded by the American Kennel Club's Canine Health Foundation.

"The results of our first epilepsy study were promising, but there was certainly not enough data to say CBD is the new miracle anti-convulsive drug in dogs," McGrath said.

Seizures are a natural focus for research on veterinary CBD products, since Epidiolex, the only FDA-approved drug containing cannabidiol, was approved last year for treatment of two severe forms of epilepsy in children.

Veterinarians are allowed to prescribe Epidiolex for pets, but it's prohibitively expensive – upwards of $30,000 a year for an average-size dog, McGrath said.

The Kennel Club's chief veterinary officer, Jerry Klein, said CBD is "overhyped" but promising for treatments like pain relief. He's hopeful that the growing market will result in more money being invested in research to prove uses.

In the meantime, the American Veterinary Medical Association is telling veterinarians they can share what they know about CBD with clients but shouldn't prescribe or recommend it until the FDA gives its blessing.

"There's no question there's veterinary interest in these products as therapies, but we really want to see the manufacturers demonstrate that they're effective and safe and get FDA approval so we can have confidence in the products," said Gail Golab, chief veterinary officer for the association.

Red Cross in need of blood and platelets

Donors to be entered into a drawing for Super Bowl LIV trip

The American Red Cross has a critical need for blood donors of all blood types – especially type O – and platelet donors to help replenish the blood supply after the holiday weeks, according to a news release.

To help tackle the need, the Red Cross and NFL are working together to offer one winner a trip to Super Bowl LIV in Miami.

During the weeks of Christmas and New Year's, about 500 fewer blood drives were hosted by volunteer groups than was required to meet patient needs.

Many groups postpone blood drives during the winter holidays, when travel and holiday activities make it challenging for donors to give.

"Life-saving medical treatments and emergencies never take a holiday," Paul Sullivan, senior vice president of Red Cross Biomedical Services, said in the release. "Declines in donations can affect patient care. That's why the Red Cross is encouraging eligible donors to make an appointment to give now and help those sidelined by illness and trauma."

Donors can make an appointment by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, by visiting redcrossblood.org, by calling 800-733-2767, or by enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Amazon Echo device.

Those who give blood or platelets to the Red Cross from now through Jan. 19 will automatically be entered for a chance to experience the Super Bowl live.

One winner will receive two tickets to the game, entry into the official NFL Tailgate, tickets to Super Bowl Experience at the Miami Beach Convention Center, round-trip airfare to Miami, three-night hotel accommodations at The Alexander – All Suite Oceanfront Resort from Jan. 31 to Feb. 3, and a $500 gift card for expenses.

Additional details are available online at redcrossblood.org/SuperBowl.

Winner will be selected and notified via the email listed in their American Red Cross donor profile on or around Jan. 24.

Additional upcoming blood drives

Versiti Blood Center of Michigan

- 8 a.m.-2 p.m. today, Cassopolis High School, library, 22721 Diamond Cove Road, Cassopolis.
- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday, Eau Claire High School, gym, 7450 Hochberger Road, Eau Claire.
- Noon-7 p.m. Wednesday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.
- 1-6 p.m. Thursday, South Haven First Baptist Church, fellowship hall, 1635 76th St., South Haven.
- 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Jan. 17, Marie Yeager Cancer Center, Kinney and Ward conference rooms, 3900 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph.

Upcoming American Red Cross drives

- Noon-4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Moose Lodge, 101 S. Redbud Trail, Buchanan.
- Noon-5:45 p.m. Tuesday, Moose Lodge, 1025 Wells St., South Haven.
- 11 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Wednesday, Caretel Inns of Lakeland, 3905 Lorraine Path, St. Joseph.
- 11:30 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Jan. 17, Decatur High School, 110 Cedar St., Decatur.

Donors must be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent) and weigh at least 112 pounds.

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Trump's incoherence makes the world more dangerous

President Trump's incoherent recklessness is not the only problem for American foreign policy dramatized this week. Also troubling is the eagerness of Republicans to fall in behind whatever he does and turn to demagoguery to paint his political opponents as traitors, a term Trump regularly deploys himself.

E.J. Dionne

The surprise winner of the prize for the most mendacious and shameful partisan attack is former United Nations Ambassador Nikki Haley for her statement on the Democratic response to the killing of Iranian Maj. Gen. Qassem Soleimani. Many Republicans – and some outside the party's ranks – once praised her for a certain measured independence and civility.

Not this time. "The only ones that are mourning the loss of Soleimani are our Democrat leadership and our Democrat presidential candidates," Haley told Fox News. "No one else in the world."

Wow. Clearly this is a politician who has decided that there is no future in GOP politics for anyone but a Trumpian distorter of reality and divider of the American people, even at a moment of crisis.

"The claim is objectively false," The Washington Post's Aaron Blake wrote of Haley's words. It sure is. Former Vice President Joe Biden explicitly said, "No American will mourn Qassem Soleimani's passing." He added that the Iranian had "supported terror and sowed chaos."

Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren called Soleimani "a murderer, responsible for the deaths of thousands, including hundreds of Americans." Warren and Biden reflected the tenor of comments from across their party.

At the heart of the Democrats' criticisms is a proper warning against Trump's preference for bombast and dramatic actions over sustainable foreign policy strategies. In conflating this with support for an enemy, Haley was engaging in a particularly egregious version of behavior that has become routine in her party.

Republicans keep trying to pretend they believe that what Trump does is normal, and anyone who says otherwise is out of line. Their behavior in the impeachment controversy is of a piece with this. They act as if there is not overwhelming evidence that Trump pressured the Ukrainian government to dig up dirt on Biden. They criticize Democrats for not obtaining evidence that Trump kept from them – and then say no more evidence is needed to acquit him.

Both the Iranian and Ukrainian affairs reveal who Trump is and how he behaves. What's dangerous about him is not that he's a hawk – or a dove. He's not a foreign policy realist or a principled non-interventionist. He's not a Wilsonian or a Jacksonian. He has absolutely no sense of what he is trying to do in the world. He's just a jumble of bad and selfish instincts.

He acts less as a president than as a gamer. He loves to push buttons to do amazing things with our military prowess and then move on to something else. He also decides that certain people (usually dictators) are his friends and that these personal feelings take precedence over long established alliances with countries that share our values.

This incoherence may have one advantage for the rest of us: He seems to prefer the satisfactions of moving a joystick to the burdens of full-scale war. He wants to show his political base he's a tough guy and an opponent of war at the same time. So, having taken out Soleimani, he used the opening that Iran's limited retaliation offered to back off, at least for now.

His comments on Wednesday were classic Trump: A lot of tough sounding words, self-congratulation over Soleimani's death and condemnations of earlier administrations for not doing what he did.

He promised he would stop Iran from getting nuclear weapons without telling us how. He said he would impose new sanctions – even though the ones imposed so far haven't achieved the results he seeks. He asked for help from the very allies he regularly scorns. "The United States is ready to embrace peace with all who seek it," he said, suddenly channeling St. Francis of Assisi rather than Genghis Khan.

What he did not do, and this is hopeful, was immediately threaten new military action. At least some around him seem to understand just how dangerous a situation Trump created.

His decision not to escalate immediately is good news, but it's far from the end of the story. Our enemies have a serious, long-term strategy. Trump doesn't. This weakens us. And the president's erratic approach could yet blunder our country into war. At what point will his party take responsibility for this danger?

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Men and the war gene

As leaders on both sides of the latest Middle East crisis strut and fret during their hour upon the stage, one wonders when humankind will recognize that the dominant-male model has run its course.

One might have made the same query centuries ago, but today's potential for calamitous and global consequences makes this moment especially urgent. When, precisely, do we begin to think outside the rust-encrusted box of an eye for an eye?

Simple answer: When men quarrel with themselves rather than each other and wrestle control of their animal nature.

Kathleen Parker

Oh, well.

Even simpler: Let women run the world.

When private-citizen Barack Obama suggested as much last month, saying that women could solve many of the world's problems, most of which were caused by men, he wasn't taken very seriously beyond a few headlines. But the man made a serious point worthy of our consideration.

I can see eyes rolling and thought clouds forming: *Yeah, but President Obama made a few big mistakes of his own, such as moving his own red line in Syria.*

Though his usual impulse to wait things out earned him the contempt of many hawks and pundits, I found his overall approach to problem-solving refreshing. In fact, I wrote a column about it, saying that if Bill Clinton was our first black president, then Obama was our first female president.

Now, I meant this as a compliment, meaning that he was thoughtful, cautious and disinclined to stomp around beating his pectorals like some presidents we know. Obama later informed me that Michelle was not amused by my characterization, but, again, I was trying to highlight his philosophical, chin-stroking nature. Waiting is often a virtue, if not often practiced.

We note that our "enemies" these days are quite good at waiting, which seems to be more common among ancient peoples who measure time by centuries rather than by seconds. We Americans aren't so good at biding time and consider waiting an insult to our social status. At the risk of inciting great consternation, I would aver that women are more naturally inclined toward patience and benefit from a communal wisdom accrued through the refined gestures of watching and listening. While men rev up their rockets to plant a flag on the moon, women bide their time in sync with the moon's cycles and the ebbs and flow of nature's tides.

President Trump, perhaps needing to flex his military muscle, created a quid pro quo of a deadly order by authorizing the killing last week of Iranian Maj. Gen. Qassem Soleimani. Early Wednesday, after a few days of deliberation, Iran began to retaliate, firing missiles at U.S. bases in Iraq. Now Trump will have to follow suit until ... what?

At what point does the madness stop?

There's nothing new about the absurdity of war – despite inarguable moral imperatives in certain cases – but the National Museum of Health and Medicine offers several reminders. During a visit a several years ago while the museum was still housed on the grounds of Washington's Walter Reed Army Medical Center, a particular exhibit took my breath away: a display on how methods for identifying military casualties have evolved from war to war. In the Civil War, families wandered battlefields in search of their loved ones' corpses. Later, dog tags and teeth records aided the task. Today, we have the forensic miracle of DNA matching.

My immediate reaction was wonder: Do not such sophisticated methods for identifying the dead argue for equally sophisticated ways of avoiding war, altogether? As an evolutionary matter, our mental capacity for reimagining conflict seems limited to improving our methods of warfare. The U.S., after all, killed Soleimani with a drone.

War, alas, seems built into our DNA to accommodate what anthropologist Robert Ardrey identified as "The Territorial Imperative" in his 1966 book titled the same. Ardrey wrote: "War may be the most permanent, the most changeless, the most prevalent, and thus the most successful of our cultural innovations, but the reasons differ not at all from the prevalent success of territory. ... We have few other institutions to rival them."

Since territoriality is primarily a male trait, it seems that war will always be with us. Or, as seems just as obvious, women could rule the world.

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Iran takes the conventional route

By ELI LAKE

After a U.S. drone strike killed Iranian General Qassem Soleimani last week, America braced itself for the unexpected: The Department of Homeland Security issued an advisory warning that Iran may launch cyberattacks against critical infrastructure. New York's governor deployed the National Guard to New York City's major airports. Those precautions are understandable. But Iran's missile attacks on bases hosting U.S. troops in Iraq on Wednesday shows that the regime's retaliation may be more conventional than expected.

Since the 1979 Islamic revolution, Iran has used terrorist groups as proxies to strike at civilians and embassies. Now the Iranian regime is signaling a new approach. Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, told his advisersk that its response should be a "direct and proportional attack on American interests," according to the New York Times, and that it should be "openly carried out by Iranian forces themselves."

That said, there is good reason to doubt that Iran's response will be limited to this attack. Iran has fought its wars through proxies since the 1990s. This was Soleimani's legacy. From 2003 until his death last week, he built up militias in Iraq, Yemen and Syria, waging an imperial war in the shadows on Iran's behalf throughout the Middle East.

Some analysts acknowledge that Iran's military has the capability to do a lot of damage, particularly to U.S. allies such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. But it "is not going to be able to out-escalate the United States," says Alireza Nader, a senior fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies. Khamenei understands this, he says, and he may be attempting to convey strength at a moment when the regime has been weakened.

Another possibility is that the U.S. drone strike demolished the strategy of plausible deniability that Iran has relied on for so long. It's not just that Iran's generals could no longer count on being spared the fate of the terrorists they cultivated and sponsored. The strike signaled a new U.S. strategy that imposes grave costs for Iran's broader proxy war.

The regime will almost certainly still depend on its terrorist proxies. But Iran's missile strike shows that it is prepared to engage in direct military attacks to take revenge for Soleimani. The world's leading state sponsor of terrorism will also rely on conventional warfare.

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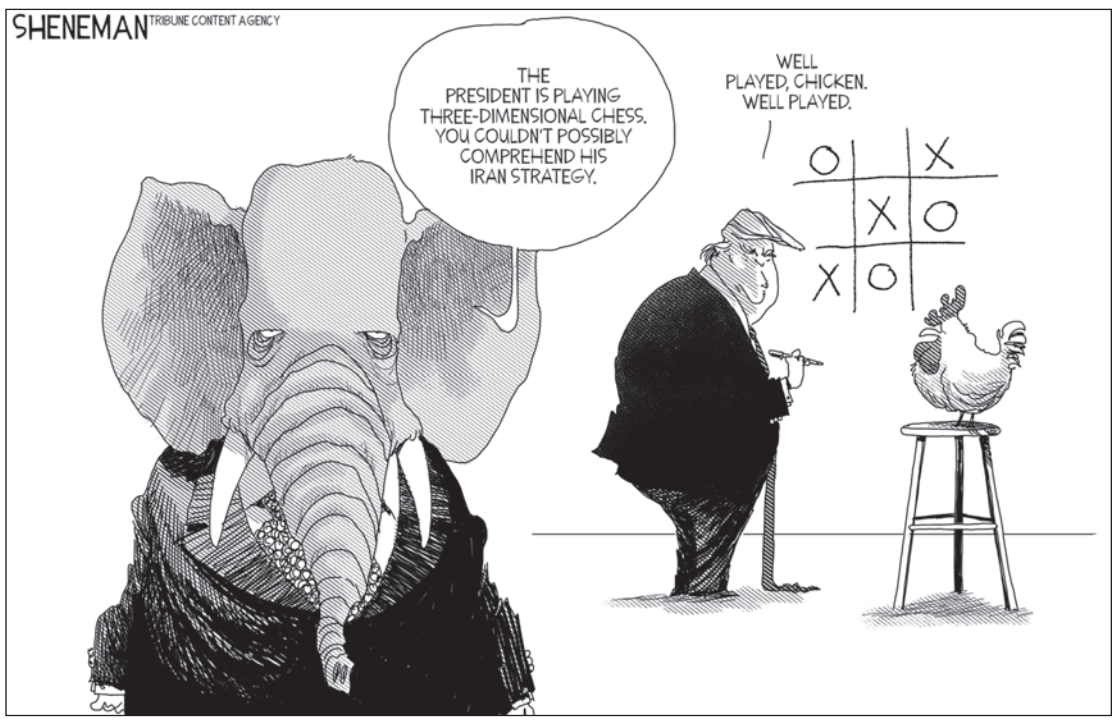
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What motivates Bolton?

Former national security adviser John Bolton shook up the Trump impeachment standoff recently with his announcement that, if subpoenaed, he is "prepared to testify" before a Senate trial. It's still not clear, of course, when or even if a trial might occur, since House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is withholding the articles of impeachment. But if there is a trial, and if the Senate subpoenas Bolton, he won't fight it.

Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer has demanded the trial include witnesses. Schumer specifically wants the Senate to hear testimony from Bolton, current White House chief of staff Mick Mulvaney, and two other White House officials, Robert Blair and Michael Duffey.

Byron York

To testify or not to testify? The potential witnesses have a lot of thinking to do. Their situation is unprecedented. There is no guidebook to tell them what to do. So here are some of the factors that Bolton, Mulvaney and other possible witnesses have to weigh:

Neither Bolton nor Mulvaney testified before the House impeachment inquiry. Bolton did not receive a subpoena. Mulvaney defied one, at the direction of the White House. Bolton's former deputy, Charles Kupperman, was subpoenaed and asked a court to decide whether he would be required to testify. At that point, House Democrats abruptly withdrew the subpoena. Pelosi, impeachment leader Rep. Adam Schiff, and others claimed that a court fight would take too long, given the urgency that Trump be removed from office as soon as possible. So they dropped the issue.

A judge later declared the matter moot. Now, the questions surrounding potential testimony remain unanswered. If there was a problem requiring judicial resolution in the House, wouldn't there also be a problem when the Senate seeks testimony?

The answer is yes, but possibly in different ways. First, it seems extremely unlikely that a court would rule that the president's aides have a blanket immunity that would prevent them from even appearing before the Senate. But at the same time it seems likely that some, or perhaps all, of the conversations between Bolton and the president, or Mulvaney and the president, would be covered by executive privilege.

It is not clear whether the White House will assert the privilege. But there seems little doubt that the White House, should it seek to bar the president's closest advisers from answering at least some questions, would have some legal options to pursue. It's not clear that they would be winning options, but they could involve some fighting in court as the Senate trial gets underway.

House and Senate impeachment proceedings are entirely different from each other, and one of the biggest differences is the presence in the Senate trial of a representative of the judicial branch of government, in the person of the chief justice of the Supreme Court. The Constitution says the chief justice will "preside" over the Senate trial. On the other hand, the Constitution gives the Senate the "sole power" to try the impeachment. So it is highly unlikely that Chief Justice John Roberts will take charge of the Trump impeachment trial. Of the Bill Clinton trial in 1999, then-Chief Justice William Rehnquist wrote, "I did nothing in particular, and I did it very well." Roberts probably won't do much more.

But he will be there, even if he is just a rubber stamp – in other words, he will give the imprimatur of the judicial branch to the Senate's actions. So, say the Senate, with the chief justice presiding, voted to issue a subpoena to Bolton, or Mulvaney or anyone else. And say the recipient of the subpoena challenged it in court. How exactly would that work? Federal judges are not in the business of overruling the chief justice of the Supreme Court. If an impeachment dispute ends up in court, Roberts' role could make the decisions of lower court judges – in other words, the entire federal judiciary – awkward at best.

Finally, even if Bolton or Mulvaney or others were subpoenaed, and even if they challenged the subpoena in court, and even if they lost, there is a difference between showing up to testify and actually answering questions. There is no doubt that both men, and perhaps others, could honor a subpoena, appear and then decline to answer a number of questions on the basis of executive privilege.

If executive privilege covers anything, it is a president's deliberations with his chief of staff and his national security adviser on the issue of foreign policy. The privilege is the president's, not Bolton's or Mulvaney's or anyone else's. Bolton's brief statement said that he is "prepared to testify," but it did not get into details of whether he would answer all questions or whether he would follow White House directions, if there were any, or what else he might or might not do.

That will be critical if Bolton, Mulvaney or other witnesses appear before the Senate. Each will be allowed to have a lawyer present, and it seems likely that White House lawyers will be present, too. Those lawyers could raise privilege issues repeatedly, depending on what is asked. Testimony that is billed as dramatic, and even explosive, might be somewhat less exciting in reality.

Bolton's statement is an important development. But there is a lot more to the question of how testimony would work in a Senate impeachment trial. It might not even happen – at least four Republican senators would have to join minority Democrats' call for witnesses. And even if it does, it could quickly turn into a very complicated affair.

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Ira Schwarz / AP

Buck Henry and Teri Garr appear at the opening of the movie "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" in New York, on Nov. 15, 1977. Henry, the versatile writer, director and character actor who co-wrote and appeared in "The Graduate" has died in Los Angeles. He was 89. Henry's wife, Irene Ramp, told The Washington Post that his death was due to a heart attack.

Prolific 'Graduate' writer-actor Buck Henry dies at 89

By ANDREW DALTON
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Buck Henry, "The Graduate" co-writer who as screenwriter, character actor, "Saturday Night Live" host and cherished talk-show and party guest became an all-around cultural superstar of the 1960s and 70s, has died. He was 89.

Henry's wife, Irene Ramp, told The Washington Post that his death Wednesday in Los Angeles was due to a heart attack.

Henry, who also co-created the TV spy spoof "Get Smart" with Mel Brooks and others, managed to pull off the rare Hollywood coup of screenwriter-as-celebrity, partly through inserting himself in his films in small-but-memorable roles.

In "The Graduate," Mike Nichols' classic 1967 film that made a star of Dustin Hoffman, Henry and Calder Willingham adapted the script from the Charles Webb novel about a young man who has an affair with one of his parents' friends. Henry created a role for himself as the room clerk at the hotel who spooks a young Dustin Hoffman with the unintended double entendre, "Are you here for an affair, sir?" "What?" Benjamin says, nervously. "The Singleman party, sir?" Henry responds.

His script would get Henry the first of his two Academy Award nominations.

Henry also wrote Nichols follow-up film "Catch-22," the Barbra Streisand comedies "The Owl and the Pussycat" and "What's Up, Doc" and director Gus Van Sant's 1995 film "To Die For," starring Nicole Kidman and Joaquin Phoenix.

"Loved your scripts for Owl and the Pussycat, What's up, Doc? and so many others. Rest in peace," Streisand said on Twitter after Henry's death.

Short and deceptively mild, wearing black-rimmed glasses, Henry was already an established film and television writer who became widely recognizable during the early years of "Saturday Night Live." He hosted numerous times and played such memorable characters as the creepy baby-sitter Uncle Roy and the father of "Nerd" Bill Murray. His gift for satire and knowledge of current events fit perfectly with the brash outlook of the young cast and writers.

"Buck played a unique role among those early hosts," Al Franken, the former U.S. senator who was a writer on "Saturday Night Live" in its early years, said on his website Thursday. "When Buck hosted, the week was somehow different. He was just around, effortlessly teaching us the right attitude to write and play comedy. There was never any reason to panic and every reason to remain open to each other's talent and inspired silliness."

Franken called Henry "one of the truly great comedic minds of his generation,"

He was one of many prominent names who heaped Henry with praise as word of his death spread.

"Buck Henry was hilarious and brilliant and made us laugh more times than we even know," writer-director Judd Apatow said on Instagram.

Actor Michael McKean called Henry a "brilliant talent and a really lovely guy."

For decades after "The Graduate," Henry was pestered by people asking him if there would be a sequel. He tried to stop the talk by improvising a scene in Robert Altman's 1992 Hollywood satire, "The Player," in which he portrays himself trying to pitch "The Graduate, Part II," a story "dark and weird and funny," even though Mrs. Robinson has had a stroke.

With Warren Beatty, Henry co-directed and appeared in 1978's "Heaven Can Wait," the hit remake of the Hollywood classic about a man who dies by mistake and is sent back to earth in someone else's body.

The film got nine Oscar nominations, including one for Henry and Beatty as best directors. It was a rare film directing credit for Henry, who mostly directed episodes of the television shows he wrote for.

Henry's output began to decrease after the 1970s, although he continued to make TV and film appearances. Among his later credits were appearances on the TV shows "Will & Grace," and "Murphy Brown" and in the films "Rude Awakening" and "Breakfast of Champions."

Born in New York on Dec. 9, 1930, Buck Henry Zuckerman was the son of actress Ruth Taylor, a Mack Sennett performer who starred in the silent film version of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes." His father, Paul Zuckerman, was a stockbroker and retired Air Force general. Henry divided his boyhood between Hollywood and New York, listening to the sophisticated chatter of his mother's friends and co-workers.

"I saw how silly and funny and trivial these stars could be," he said in a 1997 interview. "But I also remember thinking, 'Gee, this would be a good way to live.' These people are not responsible for anything except their own talents and their own vices."

Henry first attracted notice in the 1950s when he and a friend launched the Society for Indecency to Naked Animals, a spoof of Puritanism. Many people took the joke seriously, however, and Henry gave deadpan TV interviews about the group. He also took part in such stunts as trying to fit boxer shorts on a baby elephant at the San Francisco Zoo. His success from that venture was short-lived, however, and after six years of what he termed "vigorous, total unemployment, characterized by a great deal of sleep," Henry gave up seeking jobs as an actor. Instead, he began selling gags to TV shows hosted by the likes of Steve Allen, Garry Moore and others.

His breakthrough came when he and Mel Brooks wrote the TV pilot for "Get Smart." A takeoff on the James Bond movies, it starred Don Adams as bumbling secret agent Maxwell Smart and Barbara Feldon as his beautiful and smarter sidekick, Agent 99. It aired from 1965 to 1970 and made catchphrases of "Would you believe ... ?" and "Sorry 'bout that, chief."

Henry and Brooks would soon become estranged over how their names appeared in the credits – "Created by Mel Brooks with Buck Henry." Henry believed he deserved equal billing.

Baby right whale spotted with deep wounds off Georgia coast

By RUSS BYNUM
Associated Press

SAVANNAH, Ga. — A newborn right whale spotted off the coast of Georgia was suffering from deep cuts on either side of its head, dismaying conservationists who closely monitor the southeast U.S. coast during winter for births among the critically endangered species.

The S-shaped gashes, roughly 2 feet apart, were likely inflicted by the propeller of a boat, said Barb Zoodsma, who oversees the right whale recovery program in the U.S. Southeast for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

She said Thursday humans may be helpless to do anything to treat the injured calf.

"If this was a human baby, this calf would be in the NICU right now," Zoodsma said, referring to a hospital's intensive care unit for babies. " ... And it's highly unlikely that we can fix this animal."

Crews searched by air and by boat Thursday in an attempt to relocate the wounded whale and its mother, which were first spotted Wednesday. But they couldn't be found, said Allison Garrett, a National Marine Fisheries Service spokeswoman. She said inclement weather moving into the area could prevent further searches until next week.

Scientists estimate only about 450 North Atlantic right whales survive. Each winter, female right whales migrate south to the shallow, warmer Atlantic waters off Georgia and Florida to have their babies.

Right whale deaths have outpaced births in recent years, raising concern researchers about the species' prospects for survival. Seven right whales calves were recorded last winter during daily survey flights off Georgia and Florida. Meanwhile, at least 10 right whales were found dead in 2019.

The injured calf is the fourth that's been spotted since mid-December. An aerial survey team saw the calf and its mother swimming Wednesday about 8 miles off the Georgia coast. Zoodsma said the survey team didn't realize the calf was hurt until later when photographs taken from the air were viewed at full size on a large screen.

She said the photos showed one gash left a loose flap of skin on the baby whale's head that would be difficult to heal. The newborn also suffered a cut to its mouth, which Zoodsma feared could impair its ability to nurse and feed.

She estimated the calf is about a week old and measures 10-to-15 feet long.

Whale experts were discussing potential options for trying to help the injured calf. But they appeared to be limited.

In some cases, conservationists have been able to inject injured right whales with antibiotics using needles fired from an air gun, Zoodsma said. But those are designed for use on large adults, not newborns.

Also, scientists worry that any attempt by humans to get close could stress the baby whale and make its condition even worse. Plus there's a risk of angering its mother.

OBITUARIES

Edna L. Koehneke

Edna L. Koehneke died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020.

On at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 13, the celebration of Edna's coronation will take place in a service of praise to God at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph, with the Rev. Dale Koehneke officiating. Burial will follow in Riverview Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, at the funeral home, as well as from 10 a.m. until time of service on Monday. Those wishing to leave a condolence online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

KOEHNEKE

Edna L. Koehneke was born and raised in Detroit. She was married to the Rev. Paul Koehneke of Milwaukee, Wis., in 1950, enjoying more than 67 years of partnership, family life and shared ministry. They were blessed with five children: the Rev. Dale (Donna) of Salem, Ore., Paul (Sharon) of Springboro, Ohio, David (Barb) of Downers Grove, Ill., Karen of St. Joseph and Mark of Chicago. They were also blessed with eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Elsbeth Helling

Elsbeth Helling, 92, of St. Joseph went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Friday, Jan. 3, 2020.

She was born June 16, 1927, in Gelsenkirchen-Horst, Germany, to Ferdinand and Anna (Schweichel) Lenk.

HELLING

The family will receive guests from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Washington Avenue Church of God, 4051 Washington Ave., St. Joseph, with Pastor Andreas Hannich officiating. Burial to follow in Hickory Bluff Cemetery, Stevensville. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph. Memorial contributions may be given to Liberian missionaries, Caleb and Monika Sannoh at https://newinternational.org/give/campaign/sannoh. Checks can be made care of Washington Avenue Church of God. Those wishing to leave condolences or make memorials may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Elsbeth is survived by her children, Esther (Erich) Kant and and Detlef (Helga) Helling; eight grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and her siblings, Frieda (the late Helmut) Mueller, Fritz (Renate) Lenk and Helga (the late Arnold) Arndt; and sister-in-law, Christa Lenk-Hoffmann.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Guenther Helling; sister, Gertrude (the late Herbert) Tatzmann; brother, Manfred Lenk; her great-grandchild, Jeffery Farrell; and her parents.

Death notices

Todd C. Day, 50, of Hartford died Jan. 5, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

D. Richard Harger, 80, of Niles died Jan. 8, 2020, at Buchanan Meadows in Buchanan. Halbritter-Wickens Funeral Home, Niles, 683-3000.

Carla A. Heyn, 75, of Ypsilanti, Mich., formerly of Benton Harbor died Jan. 6, 2020, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Janowiak Funeral Home, Ypsilanti, (734) 482-6000.

Edna L. Koehneke, 92, of St. Joseph died Jan. 8, 2020. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

BIRTHS

Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Benton Harbor – Boy, 8 pounds, 5 ounces, Ashley Appleford and Robert Graack, 8:02 a.m. Jan. 3.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 8 pounds, 13 ounces, Terrisha and Larry Hooks, 7:35 p.m. Jan. 2.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, Takia Robinson and Decorey Jones, 9:03 a.m. Dec. 31.

Hartford – Boy, 7 pounds, 12.5 ounces, Amanda Galvan and Todd Miller, 11:43 a.m. Jan. 3.

Lakeside – Boy, 7 pounds, 14.3 ounces, Maritzel Espindolo Torres and Giovanni Gallegos Hernandez, 7:46 p.m. Jan. 2.

St. Joseph – Boy, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, Chloe and Dave Borton, 4:10 a.m. Jan. 5.

Bronson Hospital – Kalamazoo

Lawrence – Girl, 5 pounds, 15.6 ounces, Tori and Travis Carothers, 2:23 a.m. Nov. 1.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

ST. JOSEPH — The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Sara Ann Barber of St. Joseph and Spencer Thomas Simpson of Benton Harbor.

Heather Kathleen Meyer of South Bend, Ind., and Nicholas Karl Schlipp of Benton Harbor.

Salena Antoinette Napier and Derrick Darquinn Lucas, both of Benton Harbor.

Ajah Samira Thompson and Izayah Oneal Fisher I, both of Benton Harbor.

Sarah Elizabeth Weisser of Granger, Ind., and Andrew James Taghon of South Bend, Ind.

Group hopes to prevent 'opossum dropping' on New Year's Eve

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A movement is growing in North Carolina to prevent the act of so-called "opossum dropping."

The practice involves suspending an opossum in a transparent box on New Year's Eve and slowly lowering it the ground as people count down to midnight.

The Raleigh News & Observer reported that a western North Carolina town had conducted opossum drops for 24 years.

Brasstown in Clay County dropped its last opossum in 2017. But the organization Animal Help Now wants to prevent anyone from doing it elsewhere. That will require a change to state law that allows people to do anything they want to opossums for five days each year.

The group started a petition and gathered almost 160,000 signatures before the petition closed. The group says it's continuing its legislative efforts.

Do you remember?

25 years ago – 1995

The U.S. Postal Service recently announced it will feature the St. Joseph lighthouse at the mouth of the St. Joseph River as a 32-cent postage stamp due out in May. The words "St Joseph, Lake Michigan" are printed below the lighthouse picture on the stamp. It will be sold in a series of five stamps that depict one lighthouse for each of the Great Lakes.

35 years ago – 1985

John Nielsen, co-owner of B-J's Sports in St. Joseph, has put together a guide for St. Joseph River fishing. The 64-page "Map and Fishing Guide of the St. Joseph River," which is available at B-J's for $12.99, features 41 aerial photos by Don Ames of St. Joseph which show the fishing "hot spots" between the Berrien Springs dam and the St. Joseph piers.

50 years ago – 1970

Watervliet Paper Company, a division of Hammermill Paper Company, is observing it's 60th anniversary.

The company was founded on Jan. 8, 1910. The observance of the 60th anniversary will continue throughout 1970. "Sixty years old – and still growing," is the theme of the company which manufactures fine coated printing papers sold nationwide. Paper production in the plant's early years was 5,000 tons per year and last year exceeded 40,000 tons.

Today in history

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, Jan. 10, the 10th day of 2020. There are 356 days left in the year.

Highlight in History:

On Jan. 10, 1984, the United States and the Vatican established full diplomatic relations for the first time in more than a century.

On this date:

In 1776, Thomas Paine anonymously published his influential pamphlet, "Common Sense," which argued for American independence from British rule.

In 1860, the Pemberton Mill in Lawrence, Mass., collapsed and caught fire, killing up to 145 people, mostly female workers from Scotland and Ireland.

In 1861, Florida became the third state to secede from the Union.

In 1863, the London Underground had its beginnings as the Metropolitan, the world's first underground passenger railway, opened to the public with service between Paddington and Farringdon Street.

In 1870, John D. Rockefeller incorporated Standard Oil.

In 1917, legendary Western frontiersman and showman William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody died at his sister's home in Denver at age 70.

In 1920, the League of Nations was established as the Treaty of Versailles went into effect.

In 2002, Marines began flying hundreds of al-Qaida prisoners in Afghanistan to a U.S. base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Rain Likely	Rain Likely	Rain Likely	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Isolated Rain
46°	37°	39° / 25°	29° / 21°	40° / 30°	44° / 32°

Local Outlook

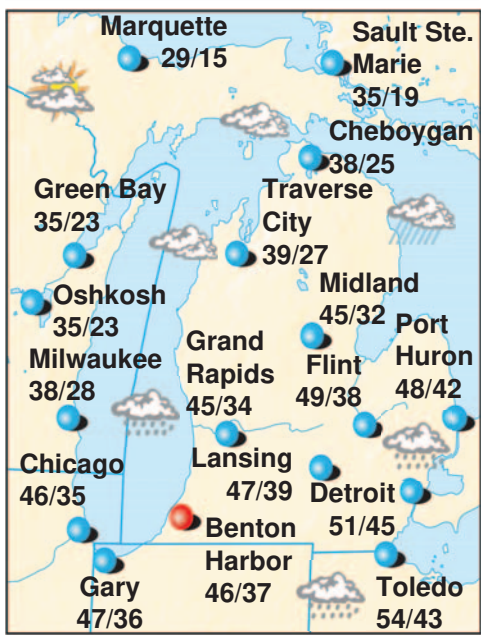
Today we will see cloudy skies with a 100% chance of rain, high of 46°, humidity of 97%. South southeast wind 7 to 13 mph. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 100% chance of rain, overnight low of 37°. North wind 8 to 18 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 28°.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	8:13 a.m.
Sunset	5:33 p.m.
Moonrise	5:32 p.m.
Moonset	8:09 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
1/10	1/17	1/24	2/1

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	51°
Low	28°
Normal High	31°
Normal Low	16°
Record High	53° in 2002
Record Low	-9° in 1999

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	Trace
Normal for month	0.49"
Year to date	Trace
Normal Year to date	0.49"

Air Quality

Yesterday 24

Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 .... Sensitive
151-200 .. Unhealthy

Weather Trivia

What is vorticity?

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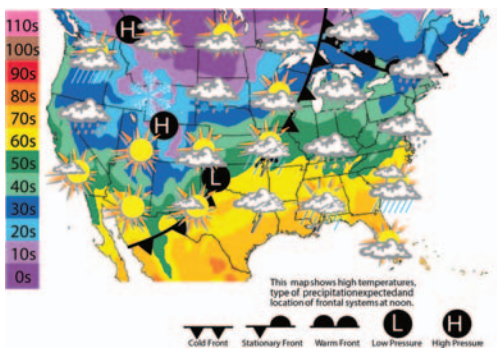
Answer: The rate of spin of a parcel of air.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Jan. 10, 2020



For latest weather updates: **www.UpdatedWx.com/HP**

Lake Michigan

Today, SSW wind 7 to 12 kt. Rain. Waves 1 to 2 ft. Water temperature 37 degrees. Tonight, NNE wind 10 to 16 kt, with gusts as high as 24 kt. Rain. Waves 2 to 4 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be cloudy with isolated showers, highs in the 20s and 30s. West northwest wind 8 mph. Expect cloudy skies Saturday with scattered snow showers, highs in the 10s and 20s. East wind 15 to 21 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be cloudy with widespread rain, highs in the 40s and 50s. South southeast wind 7 to 13 mph. Expect cloudy skies Saturday with widespread rain, highs in the 30s and 40s. Northeast wind 18 to 26 mph.

As wildfires get worse, smoke spreads, stokes health worries

By MATTHEW BROWN
Associated Press

PARADISE, Calif. — First came the flames, a raging firestorm propelled by 50 mph wind gusts that incinerated Kelsey Norton's house and killed 85 people in her community.

Then came the smoke – not just from the forest but also from some 14,000 houses and their contents that burned, generating a thick plume that enshrouded portions of Northern California for weeks and left Norton gasping.

"I don't want to have cancer in my 50s because I inhaled smoke in my 30s," she said.

The immediate toll of lives and property lost when a fire tore through the Sierra Nevada foothills town of Paradise, California in November 2018 is well documented. Still unknown is the long-term impact of the intense smoke exposure suffered by the tragedy's survivors and the hundreds of thousands of people living in communities downwind of the blaze.

Increasingly intense wildfires are scorching forests from across the Western U.S. to Australia and stoking concern among residents and health professionals about long-term health impacts from smoke exposure.

The issue has far-reaching implications as climate change turns some regions of the globe drier and more prone to fires that send up smoke plumes that can travel thousands of miles and affect millions of people.

The unprecedented fires burning across Australia offer the most recent example as they blanket major cities with dangerous air pollution. Smoke from those fires, which started burning in September, by this week had spread across more than 7.7 million square miles and drifted across the Pacific Ocean to reach South America, according to the United Nation's meteorological agency and the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service.

The fires have torched more than 2,000 houses and killed at least 26 people. Authorities ordered new evacuations in New South Wales and the neighboring state of Victoria as rising temperatures and erratic winds on Friday threatened to fan dozens of blazes still burning out of control.

Both states issued hazardous air quality warnings for affected areas and said people with health problems should consider relocating until the smoke clears.

Compounding the danger, experts and firefighters say, is the proliferation of construction materials and household items made from petroleum-based plastics, ranging from plumbing pipes to exterior siding. Those burn hotter and generate smoke more toxic than wood does, exposing people to numerous hazardous chemicals.

Researchers and health officials are confident more people will get sick and many will die as regions such as the U.S. West see bigger, more intense wildfires.

An estimated 20,000 premature deaths now occur annually in the U.S. due to chronic wildfire smoke exposure. That's expected to double by the end of the century, according to scientists funded by NASA, as tens of millions of people get exposed to massive "smoke waves" emanating from blazes in Western states.

But while those forecasts help illustrate the profound impacts of a warming climate, they can't predict which fires will prove deadly and which individuals will develop lung ailments or other illnesses.

One of relatively few long-term studies on the issue is under way at the California National Primate Research Center. Fifty rhesus monkeys living in outdoor pens year-round were exposed to a prolonged period of wildfire smoke as infants in 2008. They've developed lungs 20 percent smaller than another group of monkeys born a year later, researchers found.

"It's the closest animal model to replicate what happens with kids," said Lisa Miller, the center's associate director of research.

The difference first showed up when the animals were adolescents, and has continued as they've matured. It's impossible for the untrained eye to distinguish the smoke-exposed monkeys from hundreds of others that share their pens, but Miller's team next plans to investigate how the decreased lung function affects activity levels of the monkeys.

As the animals age, any diseases they develop and how they die would give clues into the fate of humans heavily exposed to smoke.

Studies of wildland firefighters also give insights into the risks of smoke inhalation. They've shown significantly higher rates of lung cancer and death from heart disease, said Michael Kleinman, who researches the health effects of air pollution and is a professor of environmental toxicology at the University of California, Irvine.

Firefighters get much higher and more frequent doses of smoke, but Kleinman said a proportional increase in illnesses could be expected among the general public exposed to wildfire smoke across California and the West.

"It's safe to say there will probably more effects at the long-term level," Kleinman said. "Especially if those events happened over a longer period of time or more repeatedly, there will be cumulative damage to the lung and heart which eventually will lead to chronic disease."

Becky Kark / For The Herald-Palladium

Work continues on the new hospital in South Haven. The $22 million facility is expected to be completed in 2021.

HOSPITAL

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and Chief Operating Officer Kirk Richardson.

"The good news is that the weather has been cooperating," he said.

Workers began construction of the steel structure in October. Richardson estimates the final beam should be in place in the next two to three weeks.

"We're working to get the building enclosed so we can start working on the interior," he said.

Hospital officials say contractors are on target to complete the 52,000-square-foot, two-story hospital by December and open it during the first quarter of 2021.

The hospital will house a 14 emergency room beds, eight in-patient beds and 32 physician exam rooms.

Hospital officials also plan to build a new 4,500-square-foot building nearby to house the wound care center.

Bronson Healthcare, which owns Bronson South Haven Hospital, decided to construct the new facility because it would have been too expensive to renovate the existing one, with its aging infrastructure, according to Dr. Matthew Dommer, vice president of medical affairs at Bronson South Haven.

"It would have cost $40-$60 million to keep it going," he said.

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Colthorp added, "I don't even know what the church here will do. ... I'm not looking forward to the day we have to take a vote. It concerns me that those on the losing side of a vote will leave the church and go elsewhere."

The Rev. Christine Beaudoin of Coloma United Methodist Church said her church is also divided. "We've talked about it at great length," she said. "We've had classes, read books and conducted surveys. I've been trying to emphasize that we can have differences of opinion but can still do great things together."

She said a survey the church conducted last year did not reach clear conclusions. "It didn't change anyone's mind," she said. "It's a very complicated topic. People have close relationships with those on all sides of the issue. Some wanted to talk about it and others not. Some were tired of talking about it."

Beaudoin said her goal is to minister and be respectful of everyone, no matter their views. "I make a point not to take sides," she said. "I'm hoping we will maintain the congregation. There are people on both sides of the issue who have been here for generations."

She said that as a Methodist and a minister, she identifies with the teachings of denomination founders John and Charles Wesley. "I appreciate the simplicity of our beliefs that God is God, Jesus Christ is His son and the church is the church," she said. "On sexuality, I believe that it's ultimately between you and God."

Michigan UMC Conference Communications Director Mark Doyal said the state UMC leadership is waiting to see what the General Conference will do in May. "There's little doubt that some congregations will choose to go more traditional or orthodox if the proposal passes," he said. "Some will leave and that saddens us. It's impossible for us to predict."

He noted that local congregations are similar to the state and general conferences in that there are people on both sides of the issue. "Each congregation has individuals with a wide range of views," he said.

A statement he provided from the Michigan conference noted that more than two thirds of state UMC leaders voted last year to work toward more LGBTQ inclusivity. The Michigan conference represents more than 800 churches and over 120,000 members.

RENNA

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County's voiceless and most vulnerable citizens as they navigate the complex system of criminal justice."

He said the lawyers in Berrien's Public Defender Office come from all over the United States and from some of the best law schools in the country.

"They work tirelessly to ensure that no matter who you are, who you love, what you look like or what is in your bank account, you will have a dedicated trial team working to defend your rights and argue on your behalf," Renna added.

He said the goal is to have the poor and powerless be treated the same as the wealthy and well-connected.

"The facts of your case should determine your outcome, not the power of your pocketbook. While tragically, we are still a long way off from reaching that goal, we have made an enormous amount of progress," Renna said.

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Lutheran punishes River Valley with press

Michigan Lutheran girls down River Valley in key BCS White matchup

By MAXWELL HARDEN
HP Sports Writer

THREE OAKS – The Michigan Lutheran girls basketball team continued its winning ways Thursday night against River Valley.

The Titans used a strong second half to come away with a 46-31 win over the Mustangs in Berrien-Cass-St. Joseph White Division play on Thursday night.

Lutheran 46 River Valley 31

"We knew it was going to be a great game, especially on their home floor," Lutheran coach Ron Briney said. "We did our homework and expected what we saw tonight. I was very proud of the kids for what they accomplished here by playing together and beating a very good River Valley team."

Jessi Jewell scored 10 of her 12 points in the first quarter to help the Titans to an 18-11 lead after one quarter of play. Michigan Lutheran led by as many as 11 in the second quarter before a Joanna Vert 3-pointer capped a 9-4 Mustangs run to cut the Titans' lead to 26-20 at halftime.

The Titans' press defense sparked an 8-2 run to start the third quarter. Michigan

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Photo provided / David Johnson
Michigan Lutheran's Mara Rugen, left, looks for an opening against River Valley's Taylor Volstorf during Thursday's game.

Picking up steam

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Benton Harbor's Desrae Kyles scoops up a loose ball while defended by Berrien Springs' Maggie Griffiths during the first half of Thursday night's game.

Benton Harbor overcomes turnovers, beats Berrien Springs

By BEN SPENCER
HP Sports Writer

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Benton Harbor continued to gain momentum throughout Thursday's girls basketball matchup against Berrien Springs.

Benton Harbor 32 Berrien Springs 26

The Tigers erased a pair of deficits in the second and third quarters before eventually pulling ahead and hanging on in the fourth to win 32-26 over the Shamrocks.

"I felt we were able to continue to build after the first quarter," said Tigers coach Kenneth Jackson. "Our defense early gave me some confidence. I felt that, even if we were down, we can always do something to come back. All we had to do was make a couple correct plays."

Benton Harbor (2-6) trailed Berrien Springs (4-4) early, as the Shamrocks took advantage of 14 Tigers turnovers in the first half.

The Tigers led 9-8 briefly in the second after a free throw and a bucket on the ensuing possession from 6-foot-4 freshman Desrae Kyles, but the Shamrocks closed the half scoring nine of the last 13 points to regain the advantage.

From there, however, the Tigers' switch to a 1-2-2 zone slowed the Shamrocks down significantly in the second half.

After putting up 17 in the opening half, the Shamrocks scored just nine total points in the second half.

If not for a Hillary Dortch three-pointer that cut the Tigers' lead in half at 23-20 with under a minute remaining in the third, Benton Harbor would've kept the Shamrocks off the board entirely in the third quarter.

"We got some open looks out of (Benton Harbor's switch to the zone), we just couldn't get a basket to drop," said Shamrocks coach William Eichberg. "We missed some layups that were open. I know we've struggled in the past with the zone. We got some open looks, they just didn't fall there at the end."

In the fourth, the Tigers moved the score to 27-22 after a rebound and score by Kyles.

Hillary Dortch responded with a quick three for the Shamrocks, but a free throw from Benton Harbor's Shaliya Perkins followed by back-to-back baskets by Kyles and Jmya Jordan moved the score to 32-25, giving the Tigers their biggest lead of the game and essentially sealing the win.

Kyles and Jordan, a senior guard, handled a majority of the scoring for the Tigers, with Kyles finishing with 14 and Jordan 12. Both players also grabbed eight rebounds apiece.

Jackson said he was particularly impressed with the efforts of his

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Don Campbell / HP staff
Berrien Springs' Zoe Dortch shoots over Benton Harbor's Kyra Nichols during the first half of Thursday night's game.

No. 19 Michigan survives 2 OTs

ANN ARBOR (AP) — Zavier Simpson scored 22 points, Jon Teske added 18 and Michigan's seniors made big shots late as the 19th-ranked Wolverines outlasted Purdue 84-78 in double overtime on Thursday night.

Michigan 84 Purdue 78

Freshman Franz Wagner had 15 points for Michigan (11-4, 2-2 Big Ten), which avoided a third straight Big Ten loss.

Purdue sophomore Trevion Williams had career highs with 36 points and 20 rebounds but missed a shot to win at the regulation buzzer.

In the first overtime, Eric Hunter Jr. missed a contested jump shot for Purdue (9-7, 2-3), and Simpson's desperation 3-pointer on the run also missed for Michigan at the buzzer.

Michigan left little to chance in the second overtime, scoring the first nine points of the session. Teske had a three-point play, followed by 3-pointers from Simpson and Wagner.

Williams, who went to Henry Ford Academy in nearby Detroit, rushed a shot at the end of regulation while Wagner contested.

It was Williams' sixth double-digit scoring output in the last

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Encarnación, Sox complete $12 million, 1-year deal

By ANDREW SELIGMAN
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — Edwin Encarnación saw the young players the Chicago White Sox have and a bright future for a team eyeing a run at the AL Central championship after seven straight losing seasons. That's why he chose to be a part of it.

Encarnación and the White Sox finalized a $12 million, one-year contract on Thursday, putting him in position to become Chicago's designated hitter and a part-time first baseman along with José Abreu.

Encarnación is due $12 million this season, and the White Sox hold a $12 million option for 2021 under the deal, which was agreed to Dec. 25 subject to a successful physical.

"I'm very excited to be part of this team, I think this team has a great future," he said. "To be here and try to help this team to go where we want to go and make the playoffs."

Encarnación hit 34 home runs

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IN BRIEF

Blackhawks fall to Rinne, Predators

CHICAGO (AP) — Pekka Rinne made 29 saves and scored an empty-net goal, and the Nashville Predators beat the sloppy Chicago Blackhawks 5-2 on Thursday night for John Hynes' first win with the team.

Hynes became the third coach in franchise history after Peter Laviolette was fired on Monday. Hynes dropped his debut when Nashville lost 6-2 to Boston on Tuesday night, but the Predators held off the Blackhawks in the final part of the third after nearly blowing a three-goal lead.

Matt Duchene, Viktor Arvidsson and Colin Blackwell also scored for Nashville, which had dropped five of six. Nick Bonino also picked up an empty-net goal before Rinne's shot from behind the Predators' net went in with 22 seconds left.

U-M women fall to Ohio State 78-69

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Freshman Madison Greene scored a season-high 23 points and Ohio State beat No. 24 Michigan 78-69 on Thursday night in their lone regular-season meeting.

Greene topped her previous best of 13 points by making 8 of 10 shots, including 2 of 3 3-pointers.

Kierstan Bell added 15 points and Braxtin Miller scored 13 for Ohio State (9-6, 2-2 Big Ten). Dorka Juhasz, the leading scorer for the Buckeyes, had nine points and six rebounds.

Naz Hillmon had 24 points and 15 rebounds, and Kayla Robbins scored 17 for Michigan (11-4, 2-2).

Hillmon had 18 points and nine rebounds in the first half and Robbins added 10 points as the duo made 11 of 12 shots to help Michigan build a 38-35 halftime lead.

AIRWAVES

Television today

3:00 p.m. (NBCSports) **Premier League Soccer** Sheffield United FC vs West Ham United FC. (Live)
6:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Hockey** Minnesota at Michigan State. (Live) CC
7:00 p.m. (ESPN2) **College Basketball** Northern Kentucky at Illinois-Chicago. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Maryland at Iowa. (Live) CC
(Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** Sony Open in Hawaii, Second Round. (Live)
(NBCSports) **College Hockey** Michigan at Notre Dame. (Live)
7:30 p.m. (FoxDetroit) **NHL Hockey** Ottawa Senators at Detroit Red Wings. (Live)
8:00 p.m. (ESPN) **NBA Basketball** New Orleans Pelicans at New York Knicks. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **NBA Basketball** Indiana Pacers at Chicago Bulls. (Live)
8:30 p.m. (26) **High School Basketball** Wando at Ashley Ridge. (Live)
9:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Wrestling** Wisconsin at Minnesota. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **High School Basketball** Huntington Prep (W.Va.) vs. IMG Adademy (Fla.). (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Butler at Providence. (Live) CC
(Showtime) **Boxing** Claressa Shields vs. Ivana Habazin. (Live) CC
10:30 p.m. (ESPN) **NBA Basketball** Golden State Warriors at Los Angeles Clippers. (Live)
11:00 p.m. (Golf) **Asian Tour Golf** Hong Kong Open, Third Round. (Live) CC
4:00 a.m. (Golf) **European PGA Tour Golf** South African Open, Third Round. (Live)

Saturday

7:25 a.m. (NBCSports) **Premier League Soccer** Crystal Palace FC vs Arsenal FC. (Live)
9:55 a.m. (NBCSports) **Premier League Soccer** Chelsea FC vs Burnley FC. (Live)
12:00 p.m. (7) (13) (41) (57) **College Football** FCS Championship — James Madison vs North Dakota State. (Live) CC
(17) (22.2) (32) **College Basketball** Ohio State at Indiana. (Live) CC
(Bigten) **College Basketball** Rutgers at Illinois. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Alabama at Kentucky. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Cincinnati at UCF. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** DePaul at St. John's. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Georgetown at Villanova. (Live) CC
12:30 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **Premier League Soccer** Tottenham Hotspur FC vs Liverpool FC. (Live)
(NBCSports) **College Basketball** Massachusetts at Dayton. (Live)
1:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **College Basketball** Baylor at Kansas. (Live) CC
2:00 p.m. (17) (22.2) (32) **College Basketball** Creighton at Xavier. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Louisville at Notre Dame. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Oklahoma State at TCU. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** NC State at Virginia Tech. (Live)
2:15 p.m. (Bigten) **College Basketball** Wisconsin at Penn State. (Live) CC
2:30 p.m. (NBCSports) **College Basketball** Saint Joseph's at Davidson. (Live)
4:00 p.m. (ESPN) **College Basketball** Syracuse at Virginia. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Houston at Tulsa. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **College Basketball** Northern Iowa at Missouri State. (Live)
4:30 p.m. (5) (8) (16) **NFL Football** Minnesota Vikings at San Francisco 49ers. (Live)
(Bigten) **College Basketball** Nebraska at Northwestern. (Live) CC
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** Clemson at North Carolina. (Live)
6:00 p.m. (ESPN) **College Basketball** Georgia at Auburn. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Texas Tech at West Virginia. (Live)
7:00 p.m. (Bigten) **College Hockey** Minnesota at Michigan State. (Live) CC
(FoxDetroit) (NBCSCH) **NBA Basketball** Chicago Bulls at Detroit Pistons. (Live)
(Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** Sony Open in Hawaii, Third Round. (Live)
8:00 p.m. (2) (3) (22) **NFL Football** Tennessee Titans at Baltimore Ravens. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Mississippi State at LSU. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Oklahoma at Iowa State. (Live)
(NBCSports) **Motorcycle Racing** Monster Energy Supercross: St. Louis. (Live)
10:00 p.m. (ESPN) **Boxing** Jesse Hart vs. Joe Smith Jr. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** USC at UCLA. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **NHL Hockey** Anaheim Ducks at Chicago Blackhawks. (Joined in Progress) (Live)
11:00 p.m. (Golf) **Asian Tour Golf** Hong Kong Open, Final Round. (Live) CC
4:00 a.m. (Golf) **European PGA Tour Golf** South African Open, Final Round. (Live)

Radio today

5:45 p.m.
High school basketball doubleheader — Lakeshore at Portage Northern (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)
7:15 p.m.
High school basketball — South Haven at Paw Paw (WCSY-FM, 103.7)

Saturday

Noon
College football — FCS championship, James Madison vs. North Dakota State (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)
4:30 p.m.
NFL playoffs — Vikings at 49ers (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)
8:15 p.m.
NFL playoffs — Titans at Ravens (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)

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Winston, Tillman power No. 8 MSU past Minnesota

EAST LANSING (AP) — Cassius Winston scored 18 of his 27 points in the second half while Xavier Tillman finished with 19 points and a career-high 16 rebounds, leading No. 8 Michigan State to a 74-58 win over Minnesota on Thursday night.

Michigan St. 74 Minnesota 58

The Spartans (13-3, 5-0 Big Ten) led by just four points at halftime before pulling away for their eighth straight victory, staying atop the Big Ten standings as the only team without a conference loss.

The Golden Gophers (8-7, 2-3) were very competitive in the first half, which had five lead changes and five ties, but couldn't slow down Winston after halftime.

Minnesota's Daniel Oturu had 22 points on 9-of-19 shooting, 10 rebounds, two blocks and a steal. Marcus Carr scored 11 points and Alihan Demir added 10 points for the Gophers.

BIG PICTURE

Minnesota: Oturu needs more help. The Gophers have four players who average in double figures, but didn't have anyone get there other than Oturu until Demir made a 3-pointer with 1:31 remaining.

Michigan State: After taking full advantage of a home-heavy schedule, the Spartans will play three of their next four games on the road.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

The Spartans are the highest-ranked team with three losses, making it difficult for them to move up in the poll.

UP NEXT

Minnesota: Hosts No. 19 Michigan on Sunday and No. 20 Penn State on Wednesday night, facing a third ranked opponent in a week.

Michigan State: At Purdue on Sunday.

Photo provided / David Johnson

River Valley's Lucia Vert (center) passes against Michigan Lutheran defenders (from left) Maria Rush, Jessi Jewell and Abby Harris during Thursday's game.

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Lutheran's Mara Rugen scored nine of her game-high 21 points in the frame. Offensive rebounds from Rebekah Hisle and Abby Harris led to second-chance points for the Titans.

"Jessi did a great job of getting us on the board offensively," Briney said. "She did a lot of neat things and I want her to continue to be aggressive there. Mara is a tremendous defensive player. That defense triggers a lot of offense. Her speed helps on offense and defense helps balance our team."

The Mustangs weren't able to get set in their offense against the Titans' press and scored just 11 points in the second half. The Titans led by as many as 17 in the fourth quarter.

"We gave them way too many second-chance baskets," Mustangs coach Jason Alexander said. "In key situations, we turned the basketball over. We can't do that against a team of that caliber."

River Valley was led by Lucia Rico's nine points while Macey Springer added eight. The loss dealt a blow to the Mustangs' hopes for a conference title, but they're still very much in the race.

"Our goals haven't changed since day one," Alexander said. "We can finally say we're one of the top teams in the conference. We've been to the district finals three times. Hopefully the fourth time will be the charm for us."

The win keeps Michigan Lutheran (5-0 BCS White, 7-0) undefeated and atop the division, ahead of New Buffalo (3-1, 6-1) and River Valley (3-2, 4-4).

"We're beating up on each other," Briney said. "For us to be 2-0 against those two teams gives us a leg up to start with but doesn't give us anything beyond that. That just means they're going to play that much harder next time, which is what high school sports are all about.

"They're going to improve and we're going to improve, which is only going to make us all better when the postseason begins."

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN 46, RIVER VALLEY 31

MICHIGAN LUTHERAN (46)
Mara Rugen 9 2-2 21, Jessi Jewell 5 1-3 12, Rebekah Hisle 2 2-2 6, Abby Harris 2 0-0 4, Clare Berghaus 1 0-0 2, Lexi Tobias 0 1-2 1. Totals: 19 6-9 46.
RIVER VALLEY (31)
Lucia Rico 4 0-0 9, Macey Springer 3 2-5 8, Joanna Vert 2 0-0 5, Hailey Hauch 2 0-2 4, Annekah Witter 1 0-0 2, Rebecca Oman 1 1-2 3. Totals: 13 3-9 31.

M Lutheran	**18**	**8**	**13**	**7**	**–**	**46**
River Valley	**11**	**9**	**6**	**5**	**–**	**31**

3-point goals – M Lutheran 2 (Rugen, Jewell), River Valley 2 (Rico, Vert). Steals – M Lutheran 19 (Rugen 10, Jewell 4, Hisle 2, Tobias, Jenna Koehler, Berghaus), River Valley 10 (Macey Springer 3, Emma Springer 3, Rico 2, Alexis McCarty, Hauch). Total fouls – River Valley 11, M Lutheran 10. Fouled out – None. Technical Fouls – None.
Records — Michigan Lutheran 5-0 BCS White, 7-0; River Valley 3-2, 4-4.

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freshman center.

"Desrae came up big," he said. "Once we could break the press and get it past half (court), we could get it into our bigs and that's where we had an advantage."

Hillary Dortch led the Shamrocks with 10 points. Zoe Dortch scored just two points, but she grabbed a game-high nine rebounds and added four steals.

Taneya Shivers scored five for the Shamrocks, with Kym'meisha Ellis-Davis adding four, all on free throws.

Eichberg noted the playoff-like atmosphere of the game in a rematch of last season's Division 2 district championship game, a 35-33 win for the Tigers.

"Both teams wanted it," said Eichberg. "They're all friends, so they all wanted to win. It was a fun game to watch. Both teams got after it. We left it on the court, and as a coach that's what you ask for."

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Benton Harbor's Shaliya Perkins passes while under pressure from Berrien Springs's Taneya Shivers during the first half of Thursday night's game.

BENTON HARBOR 32, BERRIEN SPRINGS 26

BENTON HARBOR (32)
Jmya Jordan 6 0-0 12, Kyra Nichols 0 1-2 1, Shaliya Perkins 0 3-6 3, Desrae Kyles 6 2-4 14, Kendra Kyles 1 0-0 2. Totals: 13 6-11 32.
BERRIEN SPRINGS (26)
Zoe Dortch 1 0-4 2, Hillary Dortch 4 0-0 10, Emma Tyson 1 1-4 3, Maggie Griffiths 1 0-0 2, Kym'meisha Ellis-Davis 0 4-4 4, Taneya Shivers 2 0-0 5. Totals: 9 5-12 26.

BH	**5**	**8**	**10**	**9**	**—**	**32**
BSp	**7**	**10**	**3**	**6**	**—**	**26**

3-point goals — Benton Harbor 0. Berrien Springs 3 (H. Dortch 2, Shivers). Rebounds — Benton Harbor 41 (Jordan 8, D. Kyles 8, Perkins 6), Berrien Springs 32 (Z. Dortch 9). Total fouls — Benton Harbor 12, Berrien Springs 10. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.
Records — Benton Harbor 2-6, Berrien Springs 4-4.

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Pistons fall to Cavaliers in OT

DETROIT (AP) — Tristan Thompson and the Cleveland Cavaliers finished a tumultuous couple days with an emotional victory.

Cleveland 115 Detroit 112

However they felt about what had unfolded between them and coach John Beilein, the Cavaliers kept playing hard.

Thompson scored a career-high 35 points with 14 rebounds, and Kevin Love made a tiebreaking 3-pointer with 37.9 seconds left in overtime to lift Cleveland to a 115-112 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Thursday night. The Cavaliers snapped a five-game losing streak, rallying from a 13-point third-quarter deficit.

Beilein said earlier Thursday that he'd apologized for his comments during a film session the previous day. ESPN.com, citing unidentified sources, reported that Beilein suggested during a Wednesday film session his players were no longer playing "like a bunch of thugs." Beilein said he meant to say "slugs" in reference to the team's effort level.

Although Beilein said the response to his explanation and apology had been positive, it was anyone's guess how the Cavaliers would play.

"We motivate each other, at the end of the day — especially myself and Kev," Thompson said. "It's on us to motivate our teammates. Coach's job is to give us the scout and the game plan, but we don't need no coaches at all to motivate us. Us as players, we motivate each other."

With the score tied at 110, Love got open in the left corner and connected from long range to put the Cavaliers ahead to stay.

Thompson got free for a dunk with 16.7 seconds remaining to push the lead to five.

Detroit had one last chance after forcing a turnover, but Derrick Rose missed a 3-pointer in the final seconds. Rose also missed a jumper at the end of regulation that could have won it.

Beilein downplayed the idea that this victory was extra special because of the previous 48 hours.

"The past couple days are part of today's world," Beilein said. "It is great to get a win for these guys right there, and that's all it's really about."

There was no question the Cavaliers were in an upbeat mood in the locker room afterward.

Andre Drummond had 28 points and 23 rebounds for Detroit.

BOWLING

COLOMA LANES

THURSD. IND. – Victor Clark 758 (256), Kyle Genovese 707 (256), Jerry Price 689 (233), Aaron Collins 675 (245), Justin Hosier 666 (247), John Daugehrty 664 (234), Bill Tusin 662 (264), Tiff Moore 653 (245), Jeremy Webster 648, Stacie Reeves 621. Team score: Big C Lumber 3082 (1079).

AREA SCHEDULE

Today
Boys basketball
Lakeshore at Portage Northern, 7
St. Joseph at Mattawan, 7
Portage Central at Niles, 7
Bridgman at Wyo. Tri-Unity Christian, 7
Edwardsburg at Dowagiac, 7:15
South Haven at Paw Paw, 7:15
River Valley at Michigan Lutheran, 7:30
New Buffalo at Lake Michigan Catholic, 7:30
Lawrence at Countryside, 7:30
Watervliet at Martin, 7:30
Saugatuck at Coloma, 7:30
Bloomingdale at Eau Claire, 7:30
Covert at Howardsville Christian, 7:30
Hartford at Mendon, 7:30
Girls Basketball
St. Joseph at Mattawan, 5:45
Lakeshore at Portage Northern, 5:45
Portage Central at Niles, 5:45
Edwardsburg at Dowagiac, 5:45
South Haven at Paw Paw, 6
Bloomingdale at Eau Claire, 6
Watervliet at Martin, 6
Saugatuck at Coloma, 6
Lawrence at Countryside, 6
Hartford at Mendon, 6
Covert at Howardsville Christian, 6

Saturday
Boys basketball
Coloma at Brandywine, 7
Wrestling
St. Joseph, Dowagiac, Coloma at Mendon Inv., 9
Lakeshore at Parma Western Inv., 9
Benton Harbor, Eau Claire, River Valley at Buchanan Super Duals, 9
South Haven at Ravenna Inv.
Watervliet at Homer Inv., 9
Berrien Springs at GR West Catholic Inv., 9
Brandywine at Three Rivers Inv., 9
Hartford at Parchment Super Duals, 9
Competitive cheer
St. Joseph, South Haven at Gull Lake Blue Devil Inv., 11
Berrien Springs at Perry Inv., 2
Lake Michigan Catholic at West Ottawa Inv., 12:30
College basketball
LMC men at Mid Michigan College, 3
LMC women at Mid Michigan College, 1

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Thursday's boys scores
Baldwin 64, Walkerville 42
Bark River-Harris 64, Carney-Nadeau 60
Blissfield 80, Hudson 63
Brethren 71, Big Rapids Crossroads Charter Academy 43
Britton-Deerfield 56, Madison Heights 47
Cadillac 46, Petoskey 37
Camden-Frontier 63, Tekonsha 26
Clawson 59, Center Line 58
Coleman 61, Mt Pleasant Sacred Heart 60, OT
Crystal Falls Forest Park 41, Norway 40
Dansville 55, Adrian Lenawee Christian 41
Dearborn Advanced Technology 87, Southfield Manoogian 18
Decatur 50, Bangor 33
Dollar Bay 70, Lake Linden-Hubbell 45
Erie-Mason 81, Dundee 77
Fife Lake Forest Area 57, Bellaire 35
Frankfort 65, Lake Leelanau St. Mary 60
Fulton-Middleton 68, Bath 54
Gaylord St. Mary 70, Onaway 55
Grass Lake 56, Michigan Center 44
Hanover-Horton 82, East Jackson 47
Harbor Light Christian 64, Alba 40
Hillman 56, AuGres-Sims 41
Hurley, Wis. 67, Ironwood City Gogebic Michigan 58
Jackson Christian 62, North Adams-Jerome 42
Johannesburg-Lewiston 72, Central Lake 69
Lutheran Westland 63, Detroit Universal 34
Madison Heights Lamphere 60, Hazel Park 56
Mancelona 57, Indian River-Inland Lakes 49
Marine City 77, St. Clair Shores Lakeview 62
Michigan Math and Science 51, Dearborn Heights Star International 39
Mio-Au Sable 95, Whittemore-Prescott 51
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Onsted 66, Ida 46
Oscoda 67, Lincoln-Alcona 47
Petersburg Summerfield 58, Ottawa Lake Whiteford 31
Pewamo-Westphalia 50, Fowler 30
Pickford 52, Brimley 40
Pittsford 58, Litchfield 49
Port Huron 52, Madison Heights 41
Port Huron Northern 54, St. Clair Shores South Lake 46
Potterville 69, Portland St. Patrick 49
Rudyard 46, Sault Ste Marie 36
Saline 44, Jackson 43
Shepherd 55, Harrison 31
Sterling Heights 30, Fraser 29
Suttons Bay 56, Grand Traverse Academy 23
Traverse City Central 59, Gaylord 38
Utica Eisenhower 62, Clinton Township Chippewa Valley 53
Warren Lincoln 53, Clinton Township Clintondale 41
Warren Woods Tower 53, St. Clair 34
Wyoming West Michigan Lutheran 65, West Michigan Academy of Environmental Science 61

Thursday's girls scores
Auburn Hills Avondale 65, Troy 44
Bad Axe 36, Cass City 27
Benton Harbor 32, Berrien Springs 26
Burton Madison 42, Flint International 31
Caro 59, Elkton-Pigeon Bay Port Laker 25
Cooks Big Bay de Noc 39, Eben Junction Superior Central 33
Dearborn Heights Annapolis 50, Westland Huron Valley Lutheran 45
Deckerville 75, Genesee 35
Detroit Cody 48, Detroit Collegiate Prep 23
Detroit Comm & Media Arts 50, Detroit West Side Academy 23
Detroit Denby 64, Detroit Southeastern 17
Detroit East English 51, Detroit Davis 8
Detroit East English 51, Detroit Davis 8
Detroit Mumford 60, Detroit Ford 22
Detroit Renaissance 83, Detroit Central 7
Detroit University Prep 48, Southfield Christian 41
Ewen-Trout Creek 61, L'Anse 53
Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett 44, Frankel Jewish Academy 1
Grand Traverse Academy 49, Ellsworth 25
Hart 30, Whitehall 23
Lake City 67, Roscommon 20
Marlette 31, Capac 27
Midland 54, Lapeer 39
Monroe St. Mary 60, Riverview 51
Montague 52, North Muskegon 40
New Boston Huron 46, Grosse Ile 43
New Buffalo 50, St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic 41
North Farmington 29, Lake Orion 24
Reese 53, Vassar 19
Rochester 51, Ferndale 22
Rochester Adams 44, Oxford 36
Shelby 42, Mason County Central 30
Southfield A&T 81, Bloomfield Hills 39
St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran 46, Three Oaks River Valley 31
West Bloomfield 73, Clarkston 47
West Michigan Academy of Environmental Science 49, Wyoming West Michigan Lutheran 21
Westwood 59, Calumet 45

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MICHIGAN ST. 74, MINNESOTA 58

MINNESOTA (8-7)
Kalscheur 2-8 0-0 5, Oturu 9-19 3-4 22, Demir 5-8 0-0 10, Willis 3-8 0-0 7, Carr 3-11 4-4 11, Williams 1-3 0-0 3, Omersa 0-1 0-0 0, Hurt 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-59 7-8 58.
MICHIGAN ST. (13-3)
Brown 3-8 2-2 9, Winston 8-19 8-8 27, Tillman 9-14 1-4 19, Henry 3-9 0-0 7, Bingham 1-4 0-0 2, Watts 1-5 0-0 2, Kithier 0-0 1-2 1, Hall 1-3 0-0 2, Marble 1-1 0-0 2, Loyer 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 28-65 12-16 74.
Halftime-Michigan St. 36-32. 3-Point Goals-Minnesota 5-20 (Oturu 1-2, Williams 1-2, Carr 1-3, Willis 1-5, Kalscheur 1-6, Demir 0-2), Michigan St. 6-20 (Winston 3-7, Loyer 1-2, Brown 1-4, Henry 1-4, Bingham 0-1, Watts 0-2). Rebounds-Minnesota 28 (Oturu 10), Michigan St. 45 (Tillman 16). Assists-Minnesota 14 (Carr 6), Michigan St. 20 (Henry 7). Total Fouls-Minnesota 19, Michigan St. 12.

MICHIGAN 84, PURDUE 78, 2OT

PURDUE (9-7)
Hunter 4-14 2-2 10, Williams 16-28 3-6 36, Stefanovic 3-10 1-2 9, Thompson 4-8 4-4 14, Eastern 1-5 0-0 2, Wheeler 0-3 4-4 4, Haarms 0-1 0-0 0, Proctor 1-1 0-1 3, Boudreaux 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-71 14-19 78.
MICHIGAN (11-4)
Simpson 9-13 3-5 22, Wagner 6-15 0-0 15, Brooks 2-6 0-2 4, Teske 6-13 5-7 18, DeJulius 2-5 7-10 11, Johns 3-10 0-0 8, Castleton 1-1 0-0 2, Davis 2-2 0-0 4, Nunez 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 31-66 15-24 84.
Halftime-Michigan 32-28. 3-Point Goals-Purdue 6-19 (Thompson 2-3, Stefanovic 2-8, Proctor 1-1, Williams 1-1, Wheeler 0-2, Hunter 0-4), Michigan 7-29 (Wagner 3-9, Johns 2-6, Teske 1-4, Simpson 1-5, DeJulius 0-1, Nunez 0-1, Brooks 0-3). Rebounds-Purdue 42 (Williams 20), Michigan 26 (Teske 9). Assists-Purdue 7 (Williams, Stefanovic, Eastern 2), Michigan 17 (Simpson 9). Total Fouls-Purdue 23, Michigan 17.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Michigan St.	5	0	1.000	13	3	.813
Maryland	3	1	.750	13	2	.867
Rutgers	3	1	.750	12	3	.800
Illinois	3	2	.600	11	5	.688
Indiana	2	2	.500	12	3	.800
Penn St.	2	2	.500	12	3	.800
Michigan	2	2	.500	11	4	.733
Wisconsin	2	2	.500	9	6	.600
Nebraska	2	2	.500	7	8	.467
Purdue	2	3	.400	9	7	.563
Minnesota	2	3	.400	8	7	.533
Ohio St.	1	3	.250	11	4	.733
Iowa	1	3	.250	10	5	.667
Northwestern	0	4	.000	5	9	.357

Thursday's Games
Michigan 84, Purdue 78, 2OT
Michigan St. 74, Minnesota 58
Today's Game
Maryland at Iowa, 7 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Rutgers at Illinois, Noon
Ohio St. at Indiana, Noon
Wisconsin at Penn St., 2:15 p.m.
Nebraska at Northwestern, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Michigan St. at Purdue, Noon
Michigan at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Thursday's men's scores
EAST
Columbia 86, Mount Saint Vincent 56
Hofstra 74, Northeastern 72
LIU 90, CCSU 78
Merrimack 64, Mount St. Mary's 61
Robert Morris 78, St. Francis Brooklyn 52
Sacred Heart 77, Fairleigh Dickinson 75
Siena 61, St. Peter's 58
St. Francis (Pa.) 80, Wagner 62
Towson 89, Drexel 73
SOUTH
Austin Peay 75, Tennessee Tech 62
Coll. of Charleston 73, Elon 65
Delaware 80, James Madison 76
E. Kentucky 77, E. Illinois 74
Georgia Southern 67, Louisiana-Monroe 56
Georgia St. 90, Louisiana-Lafayette 52
Jacksonville 68, NJIT 52
Liberty 63, North Alabama 52
Lipscomb 85, Kennesaw St. 73
Marshall 79, Middle Tennessee 75
Morehead St. 83, SIU-Edwardsville 77
Murray St. 72, Jacksonville St. 68
North Florida 89, Florida Gulf Coast 74
South Alabama 75, Arkansas St. 59
Troy 76, UALR 71
UAB 72, W. Kentucky 62
UT Martin 87, Tennessee St. 74
William & Mary 79, UNC-Wilmington 63
MIDWEST
Belmont 89, SE Missouri 64
Cleveland St. 64, Detroit 59
Michigan 84, Purdue 78
Michigan St. 74, Minnesota 58
Rio Grande 76, UMKC 64
Wichita St. 76, Memphis 67
Youngstown St. 61, Oakland 60
SOUTHWEST
FAU 81, Rice 76
North Texas 74, FIU 56
Oral Roberts 79, N. Dakota St. 73
Texas State 78, Coastal Carolina 66
Texas-Arlington 66, Appalachian St. 56
UTEP 76, Southern Miss. 64
UTSA 89, Louisiana Tech 73
FAR WESTGonzaga 94, San Diego 50
Montana 90, E. Washington 63
Montana St. 71, Idaho 68
N. Colorado 65, Weber St. 64
New Mexico St. 93, Chicago St. 54
Oregon 74, Arizona 73
S. Utah 71, Idaho St. 55
Stanford 61, Washington 55

GOLF

Sony Open
Thursday
At Waialae Country Club
Honolulu
Purse: $6.6 million
Yardage: 7,044; Par 70 (35-35)
Partial First Round
Note: Due to darkness 14 golfers (none in top 15) unable to complete first round.

Collin Morikawa	32-33—65	-5
Matt Jones	35-32—67	-3
Ted Potter, Jr.	33-34—67	-3
Ryan Palmer	35-32—67	-3
Sam Ryder	35-32—67	-3
Patrick Rodgers	34-34—68	-2
Marc Leishman	36-32—68	-2
Rory Sabbatini	34-34—68	-2
Tim Wilkinson	37-31—68	-2
Brian Harman	34-34—68	-2
Pat Perez	34-34—68	-2
Brendan Steele	35-33—68	-2
Corey Conners	34-34—68	-2
Brendon Todd	34-34—68	-2
Cameron Davis	35-33—68	-2
James Hahn	34-35—69	-1
Abraham Ancer	33-36—69	-1
D.J. Trahan	33-36—69	-1
Zach Johnson	36-33—69	-1
Hudson Swafford	35-34—69	-1
Patrick Reed	36-33—69	-1
Scott Harrington	34-35—69	-1
Michael Gellerman	36-33—69	-1
Alex Noren	36-33—69	-1
Sungjae Im	33-36—69	-1
Kevin Kisner	36-33—69	-1
Matt Kuchar	34-35—69	-1
Satoshi Kodaira	36-33—69	-1
Keegan Bradley	35-34—69	-1
Andrew Putnam	36-33—69	-1
Michael Thompson	35-35—70	E
Daniel Berger	33-37—70	E
Jimmy Walker	35-35—70	E
Patton Kizzire	35-35—70	E
Jerry Kelly	32-38—70	E
Talor Gooch	33-37—70	E
Rhein Gibson	35-35—70	E
Chris Kirk	37-33—70	E
Cameron Smith	37-33—70	E
Kyle Stanley	34-36—70	E
Sepp Straka	34-36—70	E
Scott Piercy	35-35—70	E
Nate Lashley	35-35—70	E
Aaron Wise	34-36—70	E
Russell Knox	35-35—70	E
Nick Taylor	37-33—70	E
Emiliano Grillo	36-34—70	E
Lanto Griffin	35-36—71	+1
Joaquin Niemann	37-34—71	+1
Jim Herman	37-34—71	+1
Vijay Singh	35-36—71	+1
Charley Hoffman	36-35—71	+1
Webb Simpson	37-34—71	+1
Jason Dufner	35-36—71	+1
Sung Kang	36-35—71	+1
Graeme McDowell	35-36—71	+1
Tom Hoge	35-36—71	+1
Henrik Norlander	37-34—71	+1
Eric Dugas	39-32—71	+1
Matthew NeSmith	34-37—71	+1
Graham DeLaet	36-36—72	+2
Brandon Hagy	38-34—72	+2
Bud Cauley	37-35—72	+2
Carlos Ortiz	37-35—72	+2
Adam Schenk	37-35—72	+2
Sam Burns	36-36—72	+2
Sebastián Muñoz	37-35—72	+2
Martin Trainer	37-35—72	+2
J.T. Poston	37-35—72	+2
Adam Long	34-38—72	+2
Brandt Snedeker	37-35—72	+2
Charles Howell III	36-36—72	+2
Kevin Tway	37-35—72	+2
Ryan Armour	37-35—72	+2
Peter Malnati	36-36—72	+2
Brian Gay	36-36—72	+2
David Hearn	37-35—72	+2
Jamie Lovemark	37-35—72	+2
Zac Blair	35-37—72	+2
Justin Thomas	37-35—72	+2
Anirban Lahiri	35-37—72	+2
Chris Baker	37-35—72	+2
Ben Martin	38-35—73	+3
Chez Reavie	37-36—73	+3
Xinjun Zhang	39-34—73	+3
Doug Ghim	37-36—73	+3
Ben Taylor	36-37—73	+3
Mikumu Horikawa	35-38—73	+3
Matt Every	37-36—73	+3
Brice Garnett	35-38—73	+3
Keith Mitchell	38-35—73	+3
Brian Stuard	36-37—73	+3
Cameron Percy	37-36—73	+3
Parker McLachlin	37-37—74	+4
Fabián Gómez	37-37—74	+4
Joel Dahmen	39-35—74	+4
Dylan Frittelli	37-37—74	+4
J.J. Spaun	38-36—74	+4
Mackenzie Hughes	39-35—74	+4
Hank Lebioda	35-39—74	+4
Kristoffer Ventura	38-36—74	+4
Kazuki Higa	36-38—74	+4
Will Gordon	35-39—74	+4
Toru Nakajima	36-38—74	+4
Tyler McCumber	37-37—74	+4
Roger Sloan	39-35—74	+4
Scott Brown	36-38—74	+4
Tyler Duncan	36-38—74	+4
Hideki Matsuyama	39-35—74	+4
Jared Sawada	37-37—74	+4
Troy Merritt	36-39—75	+5
Robert Streb	39-36—75	+5
Vaughn Taylor	38-37—75	+5
Bo Van Pelt	42-34—76	+6
Kyoung-Hoon Lee	40-36—76	+6
Tomoyo Ikemura	37-39—76	+6
Michael Gligic	38-38—76	+6
Colt Knost	37-39—76	+6
Russell Henley	39-37—76	+6
Luke List	40-36—76	+6
Chesson Hadley	40-37—77	+7
Andrew Landry	39-38—77	+7
Doc Redman	35-42—77	+7
Shugo Imahira	41-37—78	+8
Smylie Kaufman	37-41—78	+8
Mark Hubbard	37-41—78	+8
Rafael Campos	39-39—78	+8
Vincent Whaley	43-38—81	+11
Ryan Brehm	44-37—81	+11
Alex Beach	43-38—81	+11

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pc	GB
Atlantic Division				
Boston	25	11	.694	—
Toronto	25	13	.658	1
Philadelphia	25	14	.641	1½
Brooklyn	16	20	.444	9
New York	10	28	.263	16
Southeast Division				
Miami	27	10	.730	—
Orlando	18	20	.474	9½
Charlotte	15	25	.375	13½
Washington	12	25	.324	15
Atlanta	8	30	.211	19½
Central Division				
Milwaukee	33	6	.846	—
Indiana	23	15	.605	9½
Detroit	14	25	.359	19
Chicago	13	25	.342	19½
Cleveland	11	27	.289	21½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
Houston	25	12	.676	—
Dallas	23	14	.622	2
San Antonio	16	20	.444	8½
Memphis	16	22	.421	9½
New Orleans	13	25	.342	12½
Northwest Division				
Denver	26	11	.703	—
Utah	25	12	.676	1
Oklahoma City	22	16	.579	4½
Portland	16	23	.410	11
Minnesota	15	22	.405	11
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	30	7	.811	—
L.A. Clippers	26	12	.684	4½
Sacramento	15	23	.395	15½
Phoenix	14	23	.378	16
Golden State	9	30	.231	22

Wednesday's Games
Miami 122, Indiana 108
San Antonio 129, Boston 114
Toronto 112, Charlotte 110, OT
Orlando 123, Washington 89
Denver 107, Dallas 106
Houston 122, Atlanta 115
New Orleans 123, Chicago 108
Utah 128, New York 104
Milwaukee 107, Golden State 98
Thursday's Games
Philadelphia 109, Boston 98
Cleveland 115, Detroit 112, OT
Minnesota 116, Portland 102
Oklahoma City 113, Houston 92
Today's Games
Atlanta at Washington, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at New York, 7:15 p.m.
Miami at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Utah, 9 p.m.
Orlando at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Dallas, 9:45 p.m.
Milwaukee at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

CAVALIERS 115, PISTONS 112

CLEVELAND (115)
Love 6-14 4-6 17, Osman 5-9 1-4 11, Thompson 15-20 5-6 35, Garland 8-14 2-2 20, Sexton 9-19 0-0 19, McKinnie 1-4 2-2 4, Zizic 1-3 0-0 2, Dellavedova 1-1 0-0 2, Knight 2-7 0-0 5. Totals 48-91 14-20 115.
DETROIT (112)
Doumbouya 3-5 0-0 8, Snell 5-10 0-0 11, Drummond 13-24 2-5 28, Brown 6-14 4-6 17, Mykhailiuk 2-3 0-0 5, Wood 1-5 2-2 4, Maker 1-5 1-2 3, Galloway 4-8 0-0 9, Rose 13-24 1-1 27. Totals 48-98 10-16 112.

Cleveland	**26**	**24**	**31**	**21**	**13 — 115**
Detroit	**32**	**29**	**22**	**19**	**10 — 112**

3-Point Goals-Cleveland 5-20 (Garland 2-4, Sexton 1-2, Knight 1-4, Love 1-5, McKinnie 0-2, Osman 0-2), Detroit 6-20 (Doumbouya 2-2, Mykhailiuk 1-2, Galloway 1-4, Snell 1-5, Maker 0-2, Rose 0-2, Wood 0-2). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Cleveland 39 (Thompson 14), Detroit 46 (Drummond 23). Assists-Cleveland 24 (Garland 7), Detroit 20 (Brown 8). Total Fouls-Cleveland 18, Detroit 25. A-13,445 (20,491)

NFL

Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 11
Minnesota at San Francisco, 4:35 p.m. (NBC)
Tennessee at Baltimore, 8:15 p.m. (CBS)
Sunday, Jan. 12
Houston at Kansas City, 3:05 p.m. (CBS)
Seattle at Green Bay, 6:40 p.m. (FOX)
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 19
AFC, 3:05 p.m. (CBS)
NFC, 6:40 p.m. (FOX)
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 26
AFC vs. NFC, 3 p.m. (ESPN)
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 2
NFC vs. AFC, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)

NHL

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia 3, Washington 2
Winnipeg 4, Toronto 3, SO
Dallas 2, Los Angeles 1
Thursday's Games
Boston 5, Winnipeg 4
Florida 5, Vancouver 2
Edmonton 4, Montreal 2
N.Y. Rangers 6, New Jersey 3
Tampa Bay 4, Arizona 0
St. Louis 5, Buffalo 1
Nashville 5, Chicago 2
Calgary 2, Minnesota 1
Dallas at Anaheim
Los Angeles at Vegas
Columbus at San Jose
Today's Games
Arizona at Carolina, 7:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Colorado, 9 p.m.

PREDATORS 5, BLACKHAWKS 2

Nashville	**3**	**0**	**2**	**— 5**
Chicago	**0**	**1**	**1**	**— 2**

First Period-1, Nashville, Arvidsson 10 (Josi, Forsberg), 3:16. 2, Nashville, Blackwell 1 (Trenin), 8:22. 3, Nashville, Duchene 10 (Ekholm), 16:55. Penalties-Chicago bench, served by Quenneville (Too Many Men on the Ice), 19:14.
Second Period-4, Chicago, Kubalik 14 (Keith, Toews), 6:43. Penalties-Maatta, Chi (High Sticking), 7:16; Tinordi, Nas (Holding), 12:12.
Third Period-5, Chicago, DeBrincat 11 (Toews, Kane), 5:32 (pp). 6, Nashville, Bonino 14, 19:23 (en). 7, Nashville, Rinne 1, 19:38 (en). Penalties-Josi, Nas (Hooking), 4:43; Bonino, Nas (Tripping), 9:41.
Shots on Goal-Nashville 12-13-5-30. Chicago 10-7-14-31.
Power-play opportunities-Nashville 0 of 2; Chicago 1 of 3.
Goalies-Nashville, Rinne 15-9-3 (31 shots-29 saves). Chicago, Crawford 7-13-2 (28-25). A-21,440 (19,717). T-2:22.
Referees-Tom Chmielewski, Chris Lee. Linesmen-Tyson Baker, Ryan Daisy.

HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD

By HP STAFF

BOYS SWIMMING

BRIDGMAN 111, KAL. LOY NORRIX 74

200 medley relay — Bridgman (Cody Schimmel, Parker Roach, Grant Rose, Matthew Warner) 1:51.70; 200 freestyle — Jonathan Plisow (B) 1:56.90; 200 IM — Parker Roach (B) 2:09.81; 50 freestyle — Drew Dougherty (LN) 23.72; diving — Matt Pisarsky (B) 189.90; 100 butterfly — Drew Dougherty (LN) 1:00.74; 100 freestyle — Matthew Warner (B) 54.10; 500 freestyle — Johnathan Plisow (B) 5:19.00; 200 free relay — Bridgman (Matthew Warner, Alex Tellez, Johnathan Plisow, Parker Roach) 1:39.05; 100 backstroke — Roman Wassink (LN) 1:04.86; 100 breaststroke — Parker Roach (B) 1:06.58; 400 free relay — Bridgman (Cody Schimmel, Alex Tellez, Tyler Westfall, Johnathan Plisow) 3:51.68.

ST. JOSEPH 106.5, MATTAWAN 78.5

200 medley relay — St. Joseph (Luke Crawford, Troy Burrow, Andrew Moyer, Ayden Moyer) 1:46.91; 200 freestyle — Grant Gerl (M) 1:49.77; 200 IM — Ben Jacob (M) 2:11.37; 50 freestyle — Ayden Moyer (SJ) 23.11; diving — Jacob Maynard (SJ) 209.00; 100 butterfly — Grant Gerl (M) 54.25; 100 freestyle — Brandon Burrow (SJ) 54.32; 500 freestyle — Jonah Cox (SJ) 5:35.04; 200 free relay — Mattawan 1:35.21; 100 backstroke — Brody Martin (SJ) 1:01.87; 100 breaststroke — Troy Burrow (SJ) 1:06.28; 400 free relay — St. Joseph (Jacob Haunhorst, Brandon Burrow, Andrew Moyer, Ayden Moyer) 3:30.84.

BOYS BASKETBALL

DECATUR 58, BANGOR 44

DECATUR (58)
Ben Cerven 2 6-9 10, Hunter Slavings 4 5-6 13, Colin Warkentien 5 1-2 12, Colby Spangler 1 0-2 2, Matt Allett 3 0-0 7, Roy Dear 1 0-0 3, Ethan Makowski 2 1-2 6, Jake Mroczek 2 1-6 5. Totals: 20 14-27 58.
BANGOR (44)
Damarious Osteen 1 0-0 3, Tyler Breene 0 1-2 1, Zach Trainer 2 0-0 5, Cameron London 2 1-2 5, Elijah Fuller 4 1-2 9, Max McGuire 3 1-2 8, Omar Jefferies 2 2-2 6, Jayden Jones 3 1-1 7. Totals: 17 7-11 44.

Decatur	**17**	**13**	**15**	**13**	**— 58**
Bangor	**11**	**13**	**9**	**11**	**— 44**

3-point field goals — Decatur 4 (Warkentien, Allett, Dear, Makowski), Bangor 3 (Osteen, Trainer, McGuire). Total fouls — Decatur 8, Bangor 23. Technical Fouls — none.
Records — Decatur 1-3 SW 10, 1-4; Bangor 0-4, 0-5.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

DECATUR 50, BANGOR 33

BANGOR (33)
Aryana Serratos 1 0-0 2, Emily Hernandez 1 2-4 5, Siney Santiago 4 0-0 8, Amara Littlefield 3 1-1 7, Maritza Barajas 1 0-0 2, Lexy Strampel 3 3-6 9. Totals: 13 6-11 33.
DECATUR (50)
Regan Rose 6 0-0 16, Dani Confer 3 0-3 7, Lauren Ogrin 0 0-2 0, Morgan Hall 5 3-5 13, Leah Baushke 2 0-0 4, Jania Green 4 2-2 10. Totals: 20 5-12 50.

Bangor	**4**	**8**	**15**	**6**	**— 33**
Decatur	**13**	**15**	**9**	**13**	**— 50**

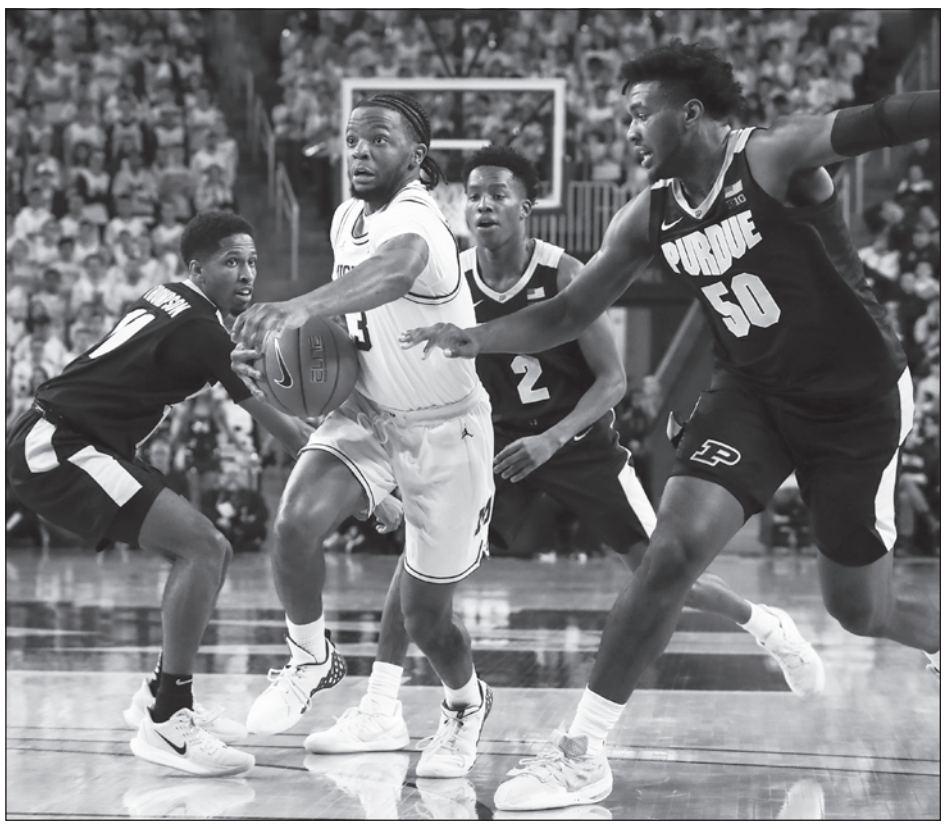
3-point goals – Bangor 1 (Hernandez), Decatur 5 (Rose 4, Confer). Total fouls – Bangor 12, Decatur 10. Fouled Out – None. Technical Fouls – None.
Records – Bangor 1-6 (SW10 0-6); Decatur 7-1 (SW10 5-1).

NEW BUFFALO 50, LAKE MICHIGAN CATHOLIC 41

NEW BUFFALO (50)
Mary Mayer 5 4-8 15, Abby Vitale 5 0-1 10, Emma Lantz 1 0-0 2, Aaron James 0 1-2 1, Sophia DeOliveira 0 1-2 1, Kelsey Corkman 4 0-0 8, Clair Workman 1 0-0 2, J. Bryk 2 0-0 4, Georgia Arvanitis 1 2-2 4, Nadia Collins 1 0-0 3. Totals: 20 8-16 50.
LM CATHOLIC (41)
Elena Proos 1 7-9 9, Claire LaSata 1 0-0 3, Hayden Starr 5 1-2 11, Maggie Tidey 2 0-0 6, Emily Lage 2 8-10 12. Totals: 11 16-21 41.

New Buffalo	**10**	**13**	**14**	**13**	**— 50**
LM Catholic	**9**	**5**	**14**	**13**	**— 41**

3-point goals — New Buffalo 2 (Mayer, Collins), Catholic 3 (Tidey 2, LaSata).
Records — New Buffalo 4-1 BCS White, 6-1; LM Catholic 2-3, 3-3.



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Michigan guard Zavier Simpson (3) drives next to Purdue forward Trevion Williams (50) during the second half of Thursday's game.

WOLVERINES

From page B1

seven games after he had just one in the first nine. His previous career highs were 18 points and 16 rebounds, both achieved last month at Nebraska.

Isaiah Thompson added 14 points and Eric Hunter Jr. scored 10 points for Purdue. David DeJulius made three free throws in the final minute, finishing with 11 points for Michigan.

BIG PICTURE

Purdue: The Boilermakers lost another chance for a resume builder, falling to 1-3 against ranked teams.

Michigan: The Wolverines responded to losing two straight Big Ten games, including at rival Michigan State on Sunday, with a hard-fought home win.

BIG MAN DOWN

Purdue junior center Matt Haarms fell awkwardly in the first half and left the game with an unspecified injury. He did not return.

STILL OUT

Michigan was playing its third straight game without junior Isaiah Livers, who has a groin injury. Livers is averaging 13.6 points per game, second on the Wolverines.

UP NEXT

Purdue: Purdue continues a three-game stretch against ranked opponents Sunday against No. 8 Michigan State. After that, the Boilermakers face No. 12 Maryland.

Michigan: In just their fifth conference game, the Wolverines already have a rematch, visiting Iowa on Sunday. Michigan topped the Hawkeyes 103-91 on Dec. 6.

SOX

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in 109 games for Seattle and the Yankees last year. The three-time All-Star led the American League with 21 homers when the Mariners dealt him to New York in June. The Yankees declined a $25 million option for next season, opting to pay a $5 million buyout.

He hit .249 with 13 homers and 37 RBIs in 44 regular-season games with the Yankees, limited by oblique problems. He batted .308 while New York beat Minnesota in the AL Division Series, but was 1 for 18 with 11 strikeouts in the AL Championship Series against Houston.

Encarnación, who turned 37 on Tuesday, has eight straight seasons with more than 30 homers. He has 414 homers in 15 years with Cincinnati, Toronto, Cleveland, Seattle and New York. Last year he became the first major leaguer to play on three continents in one season, opening the season in Tokyo with the Mariners and going to London in June with the Yankees.

"Edwin is a professional hitter, someone who makes each and every at-bat count," general Rick Hahn said in a statement. "His long track record of power is impressive and as a veteran run producer, Edwin adds another threatening bat to our lineup, lengthening our batting order and increasing (manager) Rick Renteria's offensive options on any given night."

The White Sox have been one of baseball's busiest teams, adding to a promising young core. Chicago also added catcher Yasmani Grandal and pitchers Dallas Keuchel, Gio González and Steve Cishek in free-agent deals. Outfielder Nomar Mazara was acquired in a trade with the Texas Rangers.

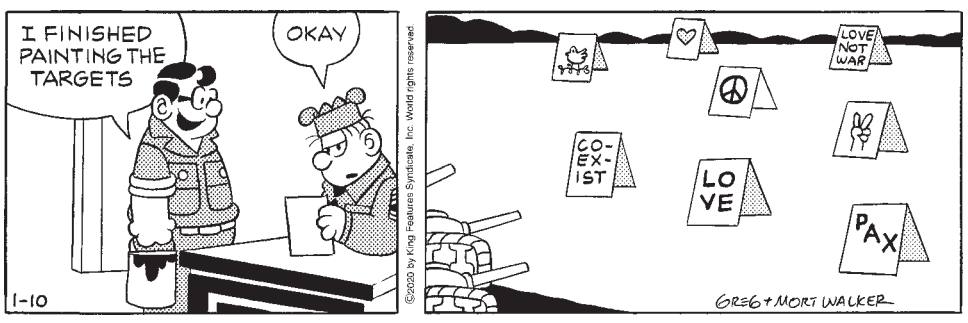
Abreu, who led the AL with 123 RBIs last season, was re-signed to a $50 million, three-year deal, and top prospect Luis Robert agreed to a $50 million, six-year contract last week, clearing the way for the outfielder to begin the season in the majors.

The White Sox were 72-89 last season, well behind the 101-win Minnesota Twins and 93-win Cleveland Indians. But with experienced veterans added to a promising young core, they believe they are in position to make a big jump after missing the playoffs for the 13th time in 14 years since their 2005 World Series championship.

Encarnación and Grandal have five straight trips to the postseason. Keuchel, the 2015 AL Cy Young Award winner with Houston, made the playoffs four times in the past five years and won a World Series championship with the Astros in 2017.

"That's obviously a tremendous track record for each of them, but also speaks in part to what we're trying to accomplish not just on the field but in terms of taking that next step in our clubhouse, and this young core not only growing together but learning how to win and learning what it takes to be successful not only over the course of the summer but well into October as well," general manager Rick Hahn said. "Edwin's another piece in trying to

BEETLE BAILEY



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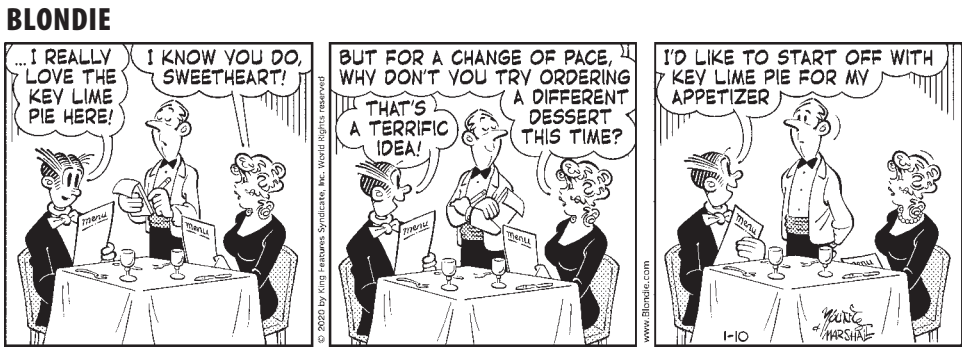
...I REALLY LOVE THE KEY LIME PIE HERE!
I KNOW YOU DO, SWEETHEART!
BUT FOR A CHANGE OF PACE, WHY DON'T YOU TRY ORDERING A DIFFERENT DESSERT THIS TIME?
THAT'S A TERRIFIC IDEA!
I'D LIKE TO START OFF WITH KEY LIME PIE FOR MY APPETIZER
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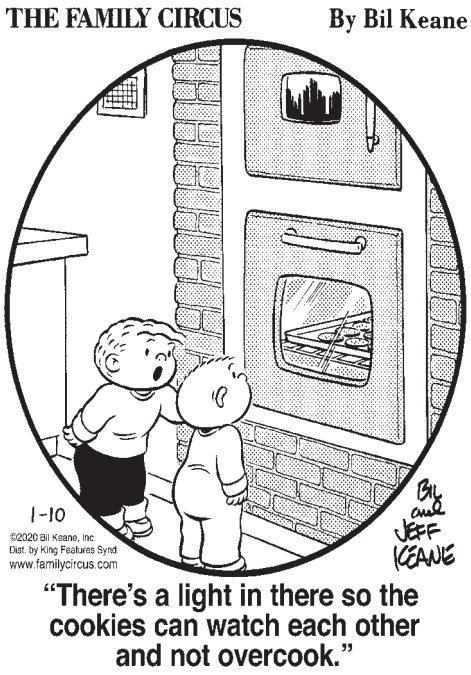
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

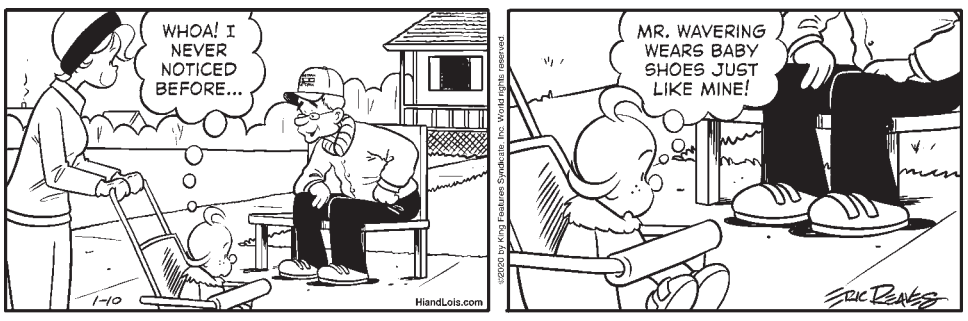


"There's a light in there so the cookies can watch each other and not overcook."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WHAT'S THE POINT OF SCHOOL WHEN I CAN JUST *GOOGLE* MY WAY THROUGH LIFE?"

HI & LOIS



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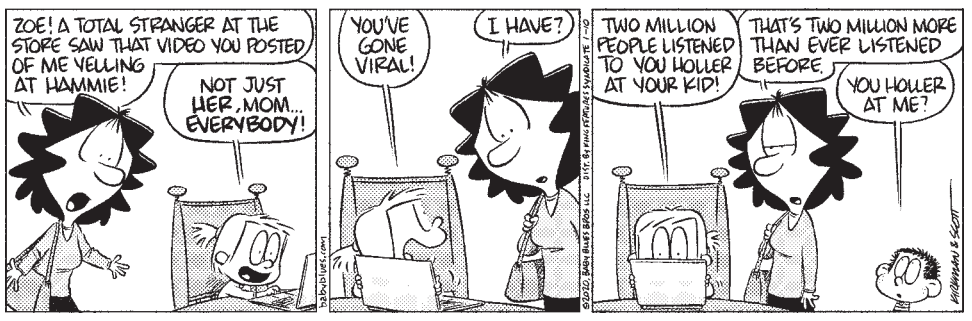
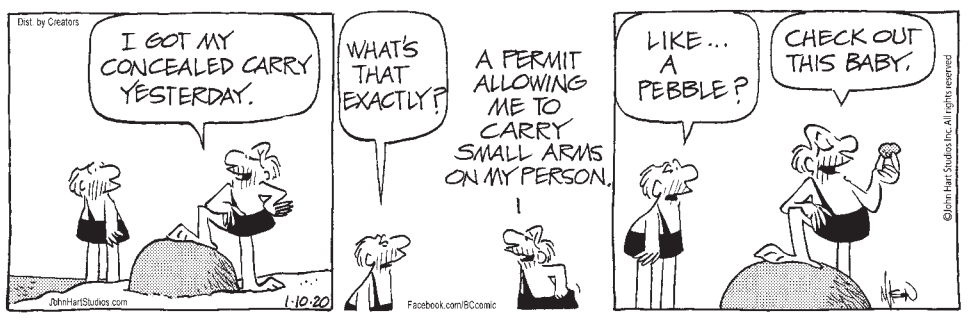

ZOE! A TOTAL STRANGER AT THE STORE SAW THAT VIDEO YOU POSTED OF ME YELLING AT HAMMIE!
NOT JUST HER, MOM... EVERYBODY!
YOU'VE GONE VIRAL!
I HAVE?
TWO MILLION PEOPLE LISTENED TO YOU HOLLER AT YOUR KID!
THAT'S TWO MILLION MORE THAN EVER LISTENED BEFORE.
YOU HOLLER AT ME?

BC



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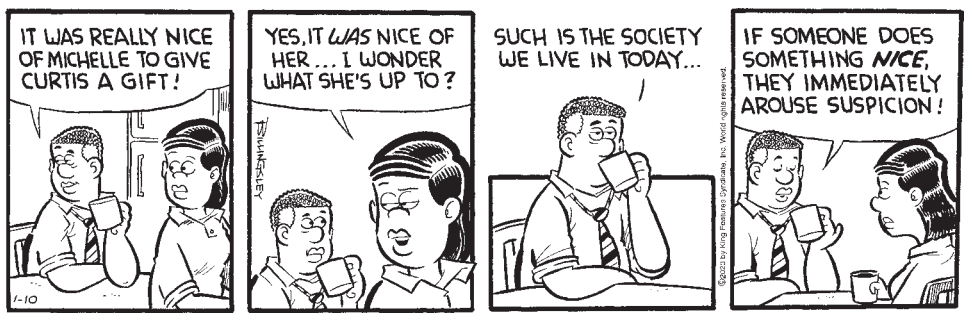
IT WAS REALLY NICE OF MICHELLE TO GIVE CURTIS A GIFT!
YES, IT *WAS* NICE OF HER... I WONDER WHAT SHE'S UP TO?
SUCH IS THE SOCIETY WE LIVE IN TODAY...
IF SOMEONE DOES SOMETHING *NICE*, THEY IMMEDIATELY AROUSE SUSPICION!
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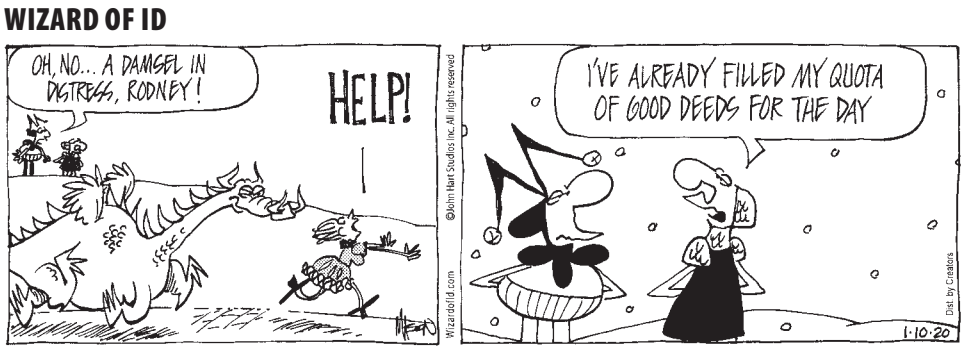
WIZARD OF ID



ZITS

AAGH! THEY JUST CANCELED THE CONCERT BECAUSE OF THE WEATHER!
WE'RE TRAPPED IN SLOW-ISH TRAFFIC WITH NOTHING BUT FOOD, WARM CLOTHING AND REALLY DECENT CELL RECEPTION!
WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE THIS SOUND A LOT MORE DISASTERY THAN IT IS.

DILBERT

HOW'S YOUR PROJECT GOING?
IT WAS DOING FINE UNTIL A THICK WAVE OF STUPIDITY SWEPT OVER IT AND EXTINGUISHED MY SPARK OF DIVINITY.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL BECOME OF ME.
I'LL TRANSFER YOU TO MARKETING. THEY'RE ALL LIKE THAT.
DILBERT.COM @SCOTTADAMSSAYS

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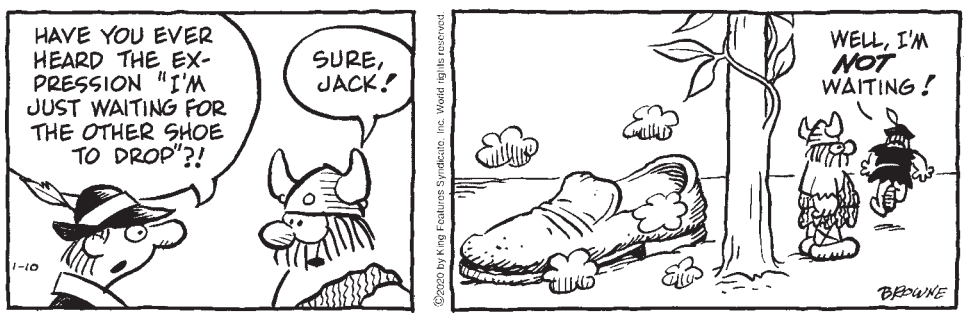

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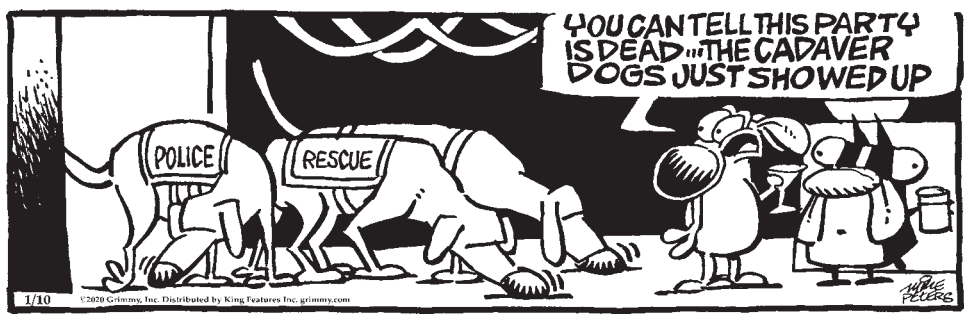

FORT KNOX

I HEARD ABOUT YOUR RUSSIAN GIRLFRIEND.
ARE YOU GOING TO WARN ME ABOUT HER TOO?
SMACK! in the USSR
NO, I'VE BEEN CHATTING WITH RUSSIAN MEN FOR YEARS!
AND THEY'RE NOT SCAMMING YOU?
RUSSIAN DULL
OF COURSE NOT!
GOOD.
BAH BUSH KA
I'VE BEEN SCAMMING THEM.
FROM Russia with CASH
GoComics.com/FortKnox

MUTTS

PICKLES

GRAMPA, HOW OLD ARE YOU?
WELL, AS SOMEONE ONCE SAID, IT'S NOT HOW OLD YOU ARE, IT'S HOW YOU ARE OLD.
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WELL, THEN HOW ARE YOU OLD?
OH, I'VE GOT BEING OLD DOWN TO A SCIENCE.
picklescomic.com

SALLY FORTH

PAINTING THE LIVING ROOM WALLS?
YEP.
WELL, REMEMBER TO PAINT IN OVERLAPPING W'S.
IS THAT THE EXTENT OF YOUR HELP?
ALSO, DON'T REPAINT MY BEDROOM.
YOU'RE THE JEWEL IN OUR FAMILY CROWN, HIL.
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Prime Time TV

FRIDAY EVENING JAN. 10

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	Housewife	Fresh Off the Boat	20/20 CC			
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	Hawaii Five-0 (N) CC		Magnum P.I. "Mondays Are for Murder"		Blue Bloods "Where the Truth Lies" (N)	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	Lincoln Rhyme-Bone Collector		Dateline NBC (N) CC			
FOX 17 22 28 32	Modern Family	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (L) CC (DVS)				Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Overheard	Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	Country Music "Hard Times (1933-1945)" Country music grows in popularity.			
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Penn & Teller: Fool Us CC		Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Chicago P.D. "Thirty Balloons" CC		CSI: Miami A sugar refinery explodes.		CSI: Miami "On the Hook" CC	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Penn & Teller: Fool Us CC		Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls
WHME 45	:00 Heartland	Heartland Jack revisits a rough patch.		Highway to Heaven "Normal People"		The List (N) CC	Celebrity Page (N)
WGN 9	News	black-ish	black-ish	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	5:00 Live PD CC	:06 Live PD: Rewind (N) CC		Live PD "Live PD -- 01.10.20" (N) (L) CC			
AMC	★★ Safe House	📽 ★★★ Taken ('08, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen. CC				📽 ★★★ Taken ('08) Liam Neeson.	
Animal	Tanked	:01 Tanked: Sea-Lebrity Edition (N)				:01 Tanked CC	
BET	6:00 BET Star Cinema			📽 ★★★ Django Unchained ('12) CC			
Big Ten	College Hockey		Break	College Wrestling Wisconsin at Minnesota.			
Bravo	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Movie CC	
Cartoon	Infinity	American	American	Burgers	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy
Cinemax	★★ Halloween II	:10 📽 ★★ The Predator ('18) Boyd Holbrook, Trevante Rhodes. (P). CC				Strike Back CC	
CMT	Last Man	📽 ★★ Miracles From Heaven ('16, Drama) CC					Heaven Is
CNBC	Shark	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank CC	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk
Discovery	Gold Rush: Pay	Gold Rush "Episode 13" (N) CC				Gold Rush "Epic Fails" (N) CC	
Disney	Despica	Bunk'd	Gabby	Owl Hse.	Just Roll	Coop	Sydney
DIY	Restored	Holmes & Holmes		Holmes & Holmes		Holmes & Holmes	
E!	:00 📽 ★★★ Knocked Up ('07) CC				📽 ★★★ Wedding Crashers		
ESPN	NBA	NBA Basketball: Pelicans at Knicks					Basket
ESPN2	College Basketball			High School Basketball			SportCtr
ESPNC	Tennis	Tennis					
Food	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	NHL Hockey Ottawa Senators at Detroit Red Wings. (N)					Red Wings Live (N)	
Freefrm	Beetlejuice ('88)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy
FX	Daddy's Home	📽 ★★★ Spider-Man: Homecoming ('17, Action) Tom Holland. Peter Parker harnesses his new powers to battle the Vulture. CC					
Golf	:00 PGA Tour Golf Sony Open in Hawaii, Second Round. (N) (L)						Central
Hallmark	Bottled With Love	📽 A Royal Winter ('17, Drama) Merritt Patterson, Jack Donnelly. CC				📽 Christmas Under the Stars ('19)	
HBO	Shutter Island	📽 ★★★ War of the Worlds ('05) Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning, Miranda Otto. CC				📽 ★★ Tolkien ('19) Nicholas Hoult.	
History	UFO	UFOs: White House		UFO's: Top Secret Alien Files: Special			
HGTV	Hunters	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Hunt Intl	Hunters
Learning	90 Day	Dr. Pimple Popper		Feet-Killing Me		My 600-Lb. Life (N)	
Lifetime	:00 Hopelessly in Love A pop star and an NFL player. CC			Hopelessly in Love Faith Evans confronts her pain. (N) (Part 2 of 3) CC			
MSNBC	Hardball	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Rush Hr	📽 ★ Rush Hour 3 ('07) Jackie Chan.				Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Bulls	NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Chicago Bulls. (N)					Postgame
NFL	NFL Total	NFL Football AFC or NFC Wild Card: Teams TBA. CC					
Nick	Musical	All That	Sponge.	Sponge.	Sponge.	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Drugs,	Drugs, Inc. CC		To Catch a Smuggler		To Catch a Smuggler	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) CC		Snapped "Martha Farmer" CC		Snapped "Dee Eggert" CC	
Parmt	Two Men	📽 ★★★ Dumb & Dumber ('94) Jim Carrey. CC					Dumb
Showtime	6:55 📽 ★★ The Upside ('17) Kevin Hart, Bryan Cranston. CC			Boxing Claressa Shields vs. Ivana Habazin. (N) (L) CC			
Starz	5:50 📽 ★★★ King Kong ('05) Naomi Watts. CC			Power Dre is framed by Ghost for murder.		:01 📽 ★★ XXX ('02) Vin Diesel. CC	
STZENC	:21 📽 ★ New in Town ('09) Renée Zellweger. (P). CC			📽 ★★★ 13 Going on 30 ('04) Jennifer Garner. CC			★ Slender Man
SyFy	6:30 📽 ★★ Saban's Power Rangers ('17) Naomi Scott CC			📽 ★★ Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters ('13) Jeremy Renner, Gemma Arterton. CC			
TBS	:00 📽 ★★ We're the Millers ('13) Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis. CC (DVS)				📽 ★★ This Is 40 ('12) Paul Rudd, Leslie Mann. CC (DVS)		
TCM	Act of Violence	📽 ★★ Written on the Wind ('56, Drama) Rock Hudson, Lauren Bacall. CC				📽 ★★★ Magnificent Obsession ('54)	
TMC	6:30 📽 Solace	📽 ★★★ About a Boy ('02) Hugh Grant, Toni Collette. CC			:45 📽 ★★★ Wildlife ('18, Drama) Carey Mulligan. CC		
TNT	:00 Bones	📽 ★★★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12, Action) Christian Bale.					
Travel	Kindred	Kindred Spirits (N)		Kindred Spirits (N)		Ghost Loop (N)	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
USA	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
VH1	Browns	📽 ★★ Good Deeds ('12, Drama) Tyler Perry. CC					Movie
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing

Owning a dog is good for your health

DEAR DOCTOR: I just heard about a study that says if you own a dog, you'll do better after having a heart attack. Is that real, or is it an urban legend?

DEAR READER: We understand your skepticism, but, yes, it's true that researchers recently had some good health news for dog owners. It arrived in a pair of studies published last October in Circulation, the American Heart Association's journal.

According to the findings, people who kept a dog as a pet had measurably better health outcomes following a heart attack or a stroke than those who didn't live with a canine companion. The studies also found that the dog owners in the study lived longer than nonowners. And though we hate to rain on the puppy parade, it turns out there's an important caveat. The researchers made statistical adjustments for a number of factors, including income, age and geographic location. However, smoking, which is a serious risk factor in both heart disease and stroke, was not among them.

Even without that particular variable, the researchers concluded that dog owners fare better after a heart attack or a stroke. This means a smoother recovery with fewer complications and fewer additional hospitalizations. These benefits were more pronounced for people who lived alone – that is, without other humans – and for those whose heart attack or stroke was a repeat event. The study found that dog ownership decreased the risk of death by 15% for people recovering from a heart attack who shared a home with a partner or a child. That number rose to 33% for heart attack survivors who lived alone.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

This association between dog ownership and improved health outcomes continued in the second study, which evaluated the general health data of 3.8 million people. The risk of death from any cause was 24% lower among dog owners, and their risk of developing cardiovascular disease dropped by 65%, the study found.

Why do dogs help us in this way? Studies have long shown that interacting with an animal lowers levels of the stress hormone cortisol, improves blood pressure and boosts mood. If you've ever been in a hospital when a therapy dog is present, you've seen the beneficial effects firsthand. And it's not just the patients who line up for a moment of patting and paw-holding, but the nurses, doctors and support staff as well.

It's also a fact that people with dogs stay more active. A Canadian study found that dog owners walked an average of 300 minutes per week, almost double the 168 minutes per week logged by nonowners. Social interaction is an important factor in good health, and dogs are great catalysts in that regard. It's the rare dog owner who can complete a walk without at least a smile or hello from fellow pedestrians. The researchers mentioned all these benefits and said they look forward to future research on the subject. As dog lovers, so do we.

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Encouraging suicidal spouse to seek professional help

DEAR CAROLYN: Do you have any suggestions to convince someone to speak to a trained therapist?

My spouse is going through chemotherapy, and I'm doing my best to be the sounding board they need, but the daily rundowns are emotionally taxing. Sometimes it's scary because they'll express suicidal thoughts.

Maybe they're just venting, but I'm not trained to deal with this. I also feel really guilty typing this, because I'm not the one with cancer, but ... help? I feel like I'm drowning a little here. – I Don't Even Play a Therapist on TV!

DEAR NOT A THERAPIST: There is a way, and you've mostly said it yourself: "I am here to help you, but I'm not trained to handle something that serious. Do you have someone you can call who is qualified, or will you let me make some calls for you?"

That wording is not just for someone supporting an ill spouse, but for all kinds of people – friends, family members, colleagues – who are just trying to help and find themselves in over their heads.

This step is important not only for you and other overwhelmed helpers. The people you're trying to help may use their sounding boards' well-meaning availability as a reason or excuse not to get the professional help they really need.

Deciding when you're no longer comfortable in that listening role can be a crucial push toward finding appropriate care.

Expect pushback, of course; you're blocking their easy way out.

Carolyn Hax

In this case, appropriate care might be nearby. Support groups have lower barriers to entry than the "trained therapist" route, and potentially offer more in the form of kindred spirits. Ask around; there's likely one for family caregivers, too.

DEAR CAROLYN: My parents complain often that they don't see much of my brother and me, though we don't live far apart.

About once every two months, they guilt us into getting together for dinner at a restaurant, and it is always dreary and dull because there is nothing that everyone is interested in talking about.

My dad is obsessed with politics and will talk about nothing but the current news happenings. (We're all aligned politically, but I am less tuned in, so I don't always know what's going on and frankly get tired of hearing about it.) My mom sticks to conversation about people we don't know and their kids, grandkids. My brother seems to find it tough to talk about anything other than his business endeavors.

Why are we forcing these gatherings when the four of us don't share common interests or enjoy each other? Yes, we're family, and I love these people. But for the life of me I can't figure out why we can't catch up and stay connected over email.

Is there a better way? – We Don't Like Each Other

DEAR EACH OTHER: My belief in our right to decide how we spend our own time is extensively documented, as is my impatience with people who use guilt to get what they want.

But I still can't hop on your "Begone, parents, you bore me" train. You love them, and they miss you, so: You try.

A play, exhibit, lecture, ballgame, movie, concert, book-signing, can give you all something to talk about afterward over dessert. Right? Every month or two. Done. Email does not replace hugs.

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Crossword

ACROSS
1 Type of market
5 That senora
8 Nefertiti's god
12 Clavicle
13 Golfer's benchmark
14 Stadium roof
15 Stork cousin
16 Fluke
18 Dumpster output
20 Princess Leia's love
21 Bro's sibling
22 Strength
25 Capp and Jolson
28 Part of a.m.
29 Taiga animals
33 Back down
35 Follow, as a gumshoe
36 Kentucky fort
37 Chewing gum base
39 Footfall
40 Ready to pick
42 Zippy the Pinhead's word
43 Generally
46 Estuary
49 In the past
50 Profound
53 Kind of stork
56 Stadium level
58 Survey chart
59 Writer — Buscaglia
60 Sky bear
61 Prefix for "trillion"
62 Ben & Jerry rival
63 Seeger or Sampras

DOWN
1 "Most Wanted" org.
2 Gray wolf
3 Phillips University town
4 Early moralist
5 Clean air org.
6 Drawer freshener
7 Esoteric
8 Say more
9 Bunion sites
10 Prefix for directional
11 Party fabrics
17 Co.
19 Speckled horse
23 Explosive letters
24 Himalayan legend
25 Clumsy boats
26 Advanced, as cash
27 Wild plum
30 Delicate
31 About 2.2 pounds
32 Lots and lots
34 Montreal player
37 1040 pro
38 Kept back
40 Feast
41 Wrinkle-free
44 Tank
45 Pause
46 Spellbound
47 Inactive
48 Not shut
51 Ireland
52 Nuisance
54 Ms. Hagen
55 Plaything
57 "Norma —"

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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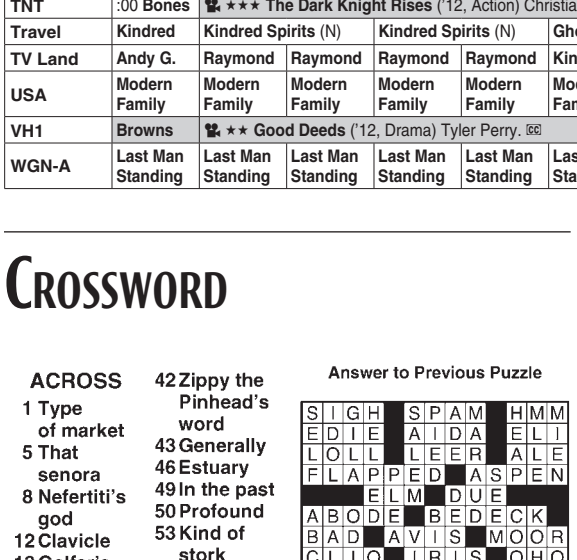

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Jumble

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

ZAAEM

RFETA

NYHHEP

CROUNC

We shall honor Pheidippides and his run from Marathon to Athens with a competition of the same distance.
I better start training.
Can people run that far?
RUNNING A MARATHON WAS INVENTED BY THE ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: _____ _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: RUMOR TUMMY CHOOSY BATTEN
Answer: The guy who wouldn't stop talking about how fast his boat could go was a — MOTOR MOUTH

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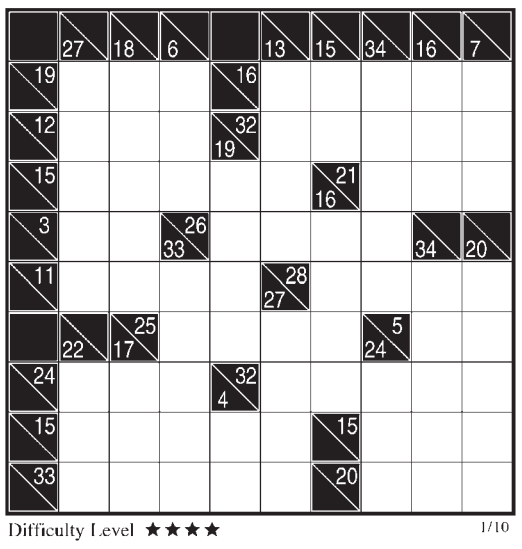
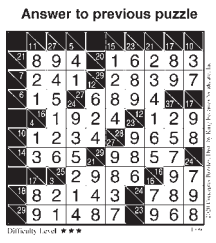
Kakuro



Difficulty Level ★★★★ 1/10

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Answer to previous puzzle



Bridge

Margaret Mead, who was a cultural anthropologist, said, "Life in the 20th century is like a parachute jump: You have to get it right the first time."

At the bridge table, when you are on opening lead, a fair percentage of the time, you have to get it right the first time. To test yourself on today's deal, cover the North, East and South hands. North opens one spade, East passes, South responds two diamonds, you (West) overcall four hearts, North jumps to six diamonds, and South raises to seven diamonds! What would you lead?

This deal occurred in last year's European Champions Cup in Bucharest. It was described by Jos Jacobs from the Netherlands. In the match between Monaco and Israel, the same auction occurred at both tables.

The Israeli West led the heart ace. This conceded a ruff-and-sluff on which declarer's spade loser disappeared. At the other table, Michal Klukowski was West. He knew there were voids flying around at this nose-bleed level. What was his safest lead? The spade queen. As you can see, this defeated the grand slam, South having an unavoidable spade loser. (A club would have also worked.)

In the match between England and Greece, the Greeks went down in seven diamonds after the same auction when Mike Bell led the spade queen.

At the other table, North ended in six spades. When East led a club, the contract made. Should West have made a Lightner Double? If he had, would East have led his singleton diamond queen? Note that West ruffs that, and East also gets a trump trick.

North 01-10-20
♠ A K 9 8 7 6
♥ —
♦ 10 7 5 4 3
♣ K 3

West
♠ Q
♥ A Q J 10 7 6 5 4 2
♦ —
♣ Q 9 6

East
♠ J 3 2
♥ K 9 8 3
♦ Q
♣ J 8 7 4 2

South
♠ 10 5 4
♥ —
♦ A K J 9 8 6 2
♣ A 10 5

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
		1♠	Pass
2♦	4♥	6♦	Pass
7♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ??

Sudoku

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

				5	1	4		
		4		7		9		
9				3	2		5	
	7		2	6			8	9
4								3
2	8			1	3		6	
	4		7	8				5
		8		2		6		
		2	3	4				

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

9	5	3	1	4	6	7	2	8
8	4	2	5	9	7	1	6	3
1	6	7	8	2	3	4	9	5
3	8	6	7	5	4	9	1	2
7	9	4	3	1	2	8	5	6
2	1	5	6	8	9	3	4	7
5	7	1	9	6	8	2	3	4
6	2	8	4	3	1	5	7	9
4	3	9	2	7	5	6	8	1

At least 4 airliners have been shot down since 1983

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

If an Iranian missile brought down a Ukrainian airliner, it would be at least the fifth such shootdown since the early 1980s.

U.S. officials said Thursday that it was "highly likely" that an Iranian anti-aircraft missile downed the jetliner late Tuesday, killing all 176 people on board. They suggested it could have been a mistake.

In the past, nations whose military forces shot down a plane sometimes said it was an accident, such as mistaking an airliner for a warplane. Several shootdowns occurred during times of high political tension that might have invited errors.

The Ukraine International Airlines jet crashed shortly after takeoff from Tehran. Iranian officials quickly blamed a mechanical problem, but the timing – coming just hours after Iran fired a missile barrage at U.S. forces in Iraq – raised suspicion that the airliner might have been shot down.

Similar events in the past include:

■ 2014: A Malaysian airliner flying over eastern Ukraine was hit by a missile that Dutch-led investigators determined was fired by pro-Russia rebels fighting Ukraine's government. All 298 people on board died. Three Russians, including a former officer in a Russian intelligence service, and a Ukrainian were charged with murder.

■ 2001: A stray missile fired by Ukrainian forces during a military training exercise brought down a Siberia Airlines plane over the Black Sea, killing all 78 people aboard. Ukraine reached a settlement with Israel for compensation. Many of the victims were Israelis who had emigrated from Russia.

■ 1988: A U.S. Navy cruiser, the USS Vincennes, shot down an Iranian airliner flying over the Persian Gulf. All 290 people aboard Iran Air Flight 655 died. The U.S. said the accident occurred when the Airbus jetliner was mistaken for a jet fighter. The government eventually apologized and eight years later agreed to pay compensation to victims' families.

■ 1983: Soviet forces downed Korean Air Lines Flight 007 after the plane strayed from its planned route between Anchorage, Alaska, and Seoul, South Korea, and entered Soviet air space. All 269 passengers and crew on board were killed, including a congressman from Georgia. The incident inflamed U.S.-Soviet relations, which were already tense because of the Cold War. Families of some passengers received settlements from the airline after filing lawsuits in U.S. courts.

In addition to confirmed shootdowns, there have been many other crashes that governments or witnesses believe were intentional acts and not accidents, but some doubts remains about those causes.

Efrem Lukatsky / AP

People look at a memorial at Borispil international airport outside in Kyiv, Ukraine, Thursday, for the flight crew members of the Ukrainian 737-800 plane that crashed on the outskirts of Tehran. The crew of a Ukrainian jetliner that crashed in Iran, killing all 176 people on board, never made a radio call for help and was trying to turn back for the airport when the burning plane went down, an initial Iranian investigative report said Thursday.

Prosecutors say judge too lenient on man who plotted bombing

CHICAGO (AP) — Federal prosecutors in Chicago say a judge was too lenient in sentencing a man to 16 years in prison for plotting to detonate a car outside a crowded bar.

In a court filing made public Thursday, prosecutors ask the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to vacate the sentence handed Adel Daoud last year by Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman. Assistant U.S. Attorney Georgia Alexakis contends Coleman improperly characterized Daoud's attempt to bomb the downtown bar in 2012 to "immaturity, braggadocio and `what teenage boys do.'"

Prosecutors requested a 40-year sentence for Adel Daoud, who entered an Alford plea in November 2018.

Plotting to kill hundreds of innocent people is not "what teenage boys do," Alexakis contends in the 66-page brief. "People of any age can appreciate the seriousness of a plan to detonate a 1,000-pound car bomb capable of killing hundreds, and the criminal justice system cannot countenance otherwise."

In imposing the sentence on Daoud last May, Coleman criticized the FBI for appearing to take advantage of Daoud's extreme immaturity. Prosecutors announced plans to appeal the sentence a month later. At the time they announced plans to appeal, defense attorney Thomas Durkin called the move ``cruel, wrongheaded and stupid."

Daoud, of the Chicago suburb of Hillside, was arrested in an FBI sting in September 2012 after pushing a button on a remote he believed would set off a car bomb powerful enough to destroy much of the block. Undercover agents had supplied the fake bomb to Daoud, who was 18 at the time, telling him it would kill hundreds of people.

Daoud's trial was frequently delayed by his outbursts in court. Coleman temporarily deemed Daoud mentally unfit for trial in 2016, concluding he sincerely believed Illuminati and other shadowy figures were out to get him.

Andrej Ivanov / The Canadian Press via AP

Members of Montreal's Iranian community attend a vigil, Thursday, Jan. 9, 2019 in downtown Montreal. It is "highly likely" that Iran shot down the civilian Ukrainian jetliner that crashed near Tehran late Tuesday, killing all 176 people on board, U.S., Canadian and British officials declared Thursday. They said the fiery missile strike could well have been a mistake amid rocket launches and high tension throughout the region.

An Iranian general dies in a U.S. attack, and Canada suffers

By ROB GILLIES and TIM SULLIVAN
Associated Press

TORONTO — The worst had passed, it seemed, and the United States and Iran no longer appeared poised at the edge of war.

"All is well!" President Donald Trump tweeted Tuesday night, days after a U.S. drone strike killed Iran's most powerful general, and Iran, after a barrage of missiles, had signaled it was stepping back from further escalation.

But 27 seconds before Trump's tweet, commercial flight trackers lost contact with a Ukrainian International Airlines jet that had just taken off from Tehran's main airport. On board were 176 people, including at least 138 passengers on their way to Canada and at least 63 Canadian citizens. The plane appeared to get hit in the air, then slammed into the ground.

Everyone on board died. They were students, newlyweds, doctors and parents. The youngest was a 1-year-old girl, Kurdia Molani, who was flying back with her parents to their home in the Toronto suburb of Ajax.

By late Thursday, Western leaders said that Iran had most likely shot down the jetliner with a surface-to-air missile – probably by accident. The loss of so many civilian lives instantly recast the U.S.-Iran confrontation, which had seemed to conclude with only limited bloodshed.

What began with a drone attack on Gen. Qassem Soleimani's motorcade at the Baghdad airport had rippled outward until dozens of Iranian-Canadians, and dozens of Iranian students studying in Canada, were dead.

"The community is overwhelmed with mourning and sadness," said Payman Paseyan, a prominent Iranian-Canadian in western Canada. He lost many friends on the flight.

Some in Canada blamed Trump for the disaster.

"This is insane. Sickening. Imagine having a family member on that plane," said Rob Kent, a 42-year-old Toronto resident. "One man, and only one, is responsible for those deaths. And he will never face consequences for them."

But Paseyan wasn't so sure.

"It takes two to tango," he said. "It's not hard to see the downing as a result of the escalation between the two countries. However, Iran is responsible for its own military defense equipment. While it has the right to defend itself, as it should to protect its own people, it should also have the responsibility with that right to make sure their defensive systems aren't targeting civilian aircraft."

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, who has at times had a rocky relationship with Trump, was careful not to say the U.S. strike was responsible for what happened.

"I think it is too soon to be drawing conclusions or assigning blame or responsibility in whatever proportions," he told reporters.

But, he said, an accidental missile strike would compound the grief of so many people.

"My thoughts instantly went to how much harder this must make it for those families who are experiencing just a terrible amount of grief right now," he said.

Many simply struggled to make sense of the disaster.

"If something like this happened as an accident, it's much easier to take in than when you hear that maybe it got shot," said Nina Saeidpour, a Calgary real estate agent whose friend Kasra Saati was among the victims. "We're just trying to figure out what happened."

Ashlee Rezin Garcia / Chicago Sun-Times via AP

Chicago Animal Care and Control inspectors fan out around the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum in Lincoln Park to look for a possible coyote den on Thursday.

2 suspected coyote attacks in Chicago, several sightings

By DON BABWIN
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Authorities on Thursday were on the hunt for coyotes in downtown Chicago after two reported attacks, including one in which passersby said they pulled a wild canine off a 6-year-old boy who was bitten in the head.

The reported attacks come amid an increase in sightings of coyotes in the nation's third-largest city, including one in the city's Lincoln Park neighborhood that briefly prompted the soft lockdown of two schools on Thursday, meaning no children were allowed outside. Neither the boy nor a man who showed up at a hospital with what he said was a coyote bite suffered life-threatening injuries.

Officials were confident that the animal that attacked the boy was a coyote, based on witness interviews, Kelley Gandurski, executive director of the Chicago Animal Care and Control, told reporters.

If true, it would mark the first time in the state that a coyote has attacked a human, according to a wildlife biologist with the Urban Coyote Research Project.

"The last several times that this occurred, people reported the same thing, that they were bitten by a coyote, and days and weeks later it turned out through DNA analysis of the victim's clothing it was, in fact, dogs and not coyotes," said Anchor, who also works for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, where Chicago is located.

The 5-year-old boy was attacked Wednesday outside the Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum in Lincoln Park. Gandurski said the animal may have been surprised by the boy as the child ran along a path.

Later Wednesday, a man walked into the emergency room at Northwestern Memorial Hospital with a scratch on his behind, police said. He told police a coyote bit him, but Gandurski could not confirm his account because her staff had not yet interviewed him.

Puerto Rico earthquake aftermath deepens; govt seeks help

By DÁNICA COTO
Associated Press

SAN JUAN — More than 2,000 people in shelters. Nearly one million without power. Hundreds of thousands without water.

The aftermath of a 6.4-magnitude earthquake that killed one person, injured nine others and severely damaged infrastructure in Puerto Rico's southwest coast is deepening as the island's government says it is overwhelmed.

Many in the affected area are comparing the situation to Hurricane Maria, a Category 4 storm that hit in September 2017, as hundreds of families who are unable to return to their damaged homes wonder where they'll stay in upcoming weeks and months as hope fades of electricity being restored soon.

"We have to remain outside because everything inside is destroyed," said 84-year-old Brunilda Sánchez, who has been sleeping outdoors in a government-supplied cot in the southwest coastal town of Guánica. "We don't know how long we'll have to stay here."

U.S. President Donald Trump declared an emergency in Puerto Rico several hours after Tuesday's quake hit, a move that frees up federal funds via the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency for things ranging from transportation to medical care to mobile generators. But some local officials worry the help won't arrive soon enough.

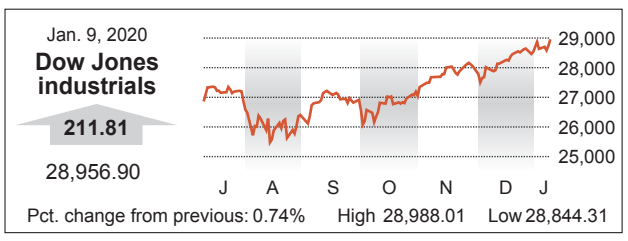
"FEMA is a very bureaucratic agency and it moves very slowly. So slowly that we're still waiting for federal funds from Maria," Daniel Hernández, director of generation for Puerto Rico's Electric Power Authority, told The Associated Press.

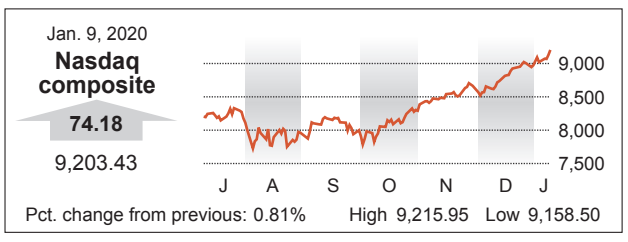
He said FEMA has already pledged to bring mobile generators to bolster the company's biggest plant, which is located near the island's southern coast where the quake hit and is severely damaged. Hernández said it's unclear how quickly the plant can be repaired, noting that a damage assessment is ongoing, although some officials estimated it could take up to one year to repair.

Complicating efforts to restore power are strong aftershocks, with more than 40 earthquakes with a 3.0-magnitude or higher occurring since Tuesday's quake, according to experts. Every time it shakes, personnel have to evacuate and further damage to the plant's infrastructure is feared, Hernández said.

Power company director Jose Ortiz said he expects nearly all customers to have electricity by early next week, adding that extremely preliminary assessments show that at least $50 million in damage occurred.

MARKETS





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LocalStocks

NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE LO	52-WK RANGE HI	◇CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR
AT&T Inc	T	28.92	39.70	38.80	-.05	-0.1	▲	▲	▼
AEP	AEP	72.95	96.22	93.88	+.47	+0.5	▲	▲	▼
Apple Inc	AAPL	145.90	304.44	309.63	+6.44	+2.1	▲	▲	▲
AutoZone	AZO	803.28	1274.41	1145.39	-2.10	-0.2	▼	▼	▼
BP PLC	BP	35.73	45.38	38.96	+.13	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
CMS Eng	CMS	48.79	65.31	62.73	+.48	+0.8	▲	▲	▼
CocaCola	KO	44.42	55.92	55.34	+.99	+1.8	▲	▲	▬
Comcast	CMCSA	34.67	47.27	45.51	+.12	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
Deere	DE	132.68	180.48	177.60	+1.70	+1.0	▲	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	107.32	153.41	144.83	-.57	-0.4	▼	▼	▲
DollarTree	DLTR	88.26	119.71	91.06	+1.27	+1.4	▼	▼	▼
ExxonMbl	XOM	66.31	83.49	69.76	+.53	+0.8	▼	▼	▬
FifthThird	FITB	24.17	31.64	30.25	+.33	+1.1	▼	▼	▼
1stSource	SRCE	41.88	53.42	50.71	-.08	-0.2	▼	▼	▼
FordM	F	8.16	10.56	9.26	+.01	+0.1	▲	▼	▼
GenElec	GE	7.65	12.24	11.91	-.03	-0.3	▼	▲	▲
HomeDp	HD	172.00	239.31	225.19	+3.40	+1.5	▲	▲	▲
HorizBcp	HBNC	15.21	19.48	18.52	-.14	-0.7	▼	▼	▼
HuntBncsh	HBAN	12.15	15.63	14.56	+.03	+0.2	▼	▼	▼
IDEX	IEX	130.00	173.95	173.89	+1.71	+1.0	▲	▲	▲
IBM	IBM	119.76	152.95	136.74	+1.43	+1.1	▲	▲	▲
JPMorgCh	JPM	98.09	141.10	137.44	+.50	+0.4	▼	▼	▼
JohnJn	JNJ	125.00	147.84	145.39	+.43	+0.3	▲	▲	▼
Lowes	LOW	90.23	122.73	122.05	+.52	+0.4	▲	▲	▲
McDnlds	MCD	173.41	221.93	208.35	+2.44	+1.2	▲	▲	▲
Microsoft	MSFT	100.98	160.80	162.09	+2.00	+1.2	▲	▲	▲
MillerHer	MLHR	31.27	49.88	40.47	-.41	-1.0	▼	▼	▼
Penney	JCP	0.53	1.92	1.07	-.13	-10.8	▼	▼	▼
Perrigo	PRGO	40.68	57.50	49.79	+.37	+0.7	▼	▼	▼
Pfizer	PFE	33.97	44.56	38.89	-.17	-0.4	▼	▲	▼
ProctGam	PG	89.08	126.60	123.85	+1.34	+1.1	▲	▼	▼
RepubSvc	RSG	73.53	90.64	90.96	+.75	+0.8	▲	▲	▲
Steelcse	SCS	14.45	23.02	19.49	-.52	-2.6	▼	▲	▼
Stryker	SYK	157.43	223.45	211.63	+.94	+0.4	▲	▲	▲
TCF Finl	TCF	35.96	47.71	46.30	-.04	-0.1	▼	▲	▼
Target	TGT	67.17	130.24	123.50	+.10	+0.1	▼	▼	▼
TractSupp	TSCO	82.03	114.25	90.81	-.90	-1.0	▼	▼	▼
UPS B	UPS	92.65	125.31	116.93	+.27	+0.2	▲	▬	▼
VerizonCm	VZ	52.28	62.22	58.85	-.24	-0.4	▼	▼	▼
WEC Engy	WEC	67.80	98.19	91.99	+.91	+1.0	▲	▲	▼
WalMart	WMT	93.11	125.38	117.36	+1.20	+1.0	▼	▼	▼
WalgBoots	WBA	49.03	74.95	54.68	-1.15	-2.1	▼	▼	▼
Wendys Co	WEN	15.66	22.84	21.77	+.05	+0.2	▼	▲	▼
Whrlpl	WHR	114.00	163.64	150.36	+.96	+0.6	▲	▼	▲
Worthgtn	WOR	33.18	44.69	40.28	-.59	-1.4	▼	▼	▼
XPO Logis	XPO	45.73	86.47	78.72	+.55	+0.7	▲	▼	▼

PRODUCE PRICES

The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Wednesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.

APPLES: Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold from $24-28, Golden Delicious sold for $37, Fuji sold for $32, Pink Lady brought $38-40, Gala sold for mostly $31-32, and 56 size Honeycrisp of fine appearance sold for $52 while 64 size brought $30. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold for $22, while Golden Delicious brought $23, Gala sold for $23-24, while bushel cartons loose of Michigan 3-inch minimum Golden Delicious, Gala and Jonagold brought $20.

ASPARAGUS: Pyramid cartons/crates 11-pound bunched standard size from Peru sold for $36-38, while large white bunched sold from $24-25.

BEANS: Bushel cartons/crates of round green type machine-picked offerings from Florida sold higher from $34-35.

BERRIES: Flats of 12 6-ounce cups with lids of medium-large berries of fine appearance from Mexico sold from $15-18, while offerings from Peru sold for $9. Strawberries in flats of eight 1-pound containers medium size from Mexico of fine appearance sold from $14-16, while offerings from Florida sold for $10 with fine appearance berries $14.

BROCCOLI: Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold higher from mostly $27-29, with organic offerings much higher for $34.50.

CABBAGE: 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Texas sold for $15.50-16.50, while red offerings brought $28.

CAULIFLOWER: Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold slightly higher for mostly $17-18, with organic offerings higher for $26.50.

CORN: Wirebound crates of four dozen bi-color from Florida sold lower for mostly $34-35.

CUCUMBERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold steady for mostly $31-32, with large mostly $31-32, fair quality brought $28, and carton 24s sold from $12-14. Pickles of 200-300 size from Mexico sold higher for $36.

EGGPLANT: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of 24-count eggs from Mexico sold higher for $17-18.50.

LETTUCE: Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold higher from $28-30, while organic offerings brought $32.50.

ORANGES: Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of Florida 80 size Hamlin juice oranges sold for $23.50.

PEPPERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of Florida green jumbos sold from $23-24 and extra-large sold for $21, and choppers sold for $14-15. Medium size jalapeno peppers from Mexico sold higher for $30, serranos sold for mostly $26-27, while poblano sold from mostly $16-17 and medium Hungarian wax sold for $22-23.

SQUASH: 4/7-bushel cartons of small-medium zucchini from Mexico sold for mostly $16-17 with medium size $17, and yellow straightneck small-medium sold for $16 with mediums $15. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size acorn sold for $23 with butternut $18.50 and spaghetti $18.

TOMATOES: 25-pound cartons loose mature greens 5x6s from Florida sold slightly higher for mostly $45-47, and cartons two-layer 4x5s vine ripes from Mexico sold steady for $49. Flats 12 1-pint containers with lids of light red-red medium size grape tomatoes from Mexico sold lower from $18-20 and cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type red sold lower for $18, with Florida offerings $14. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold slightly lower from $32-34, with large size $27-28.

The pool table is sick and tired of being used for laundry.

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Fed should focus on fighting low inflation, official says

By CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
AP Economics Writer

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John Williams, left, President and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, left, and Jerome Powell, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, right, walk together after Powell's speech at the Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium in 2018 in Jackson Hole, Wyo. Williams said said that the Fed needs to re-orient its policies toward fighting inflation that is too low, rather than its historic focus on keeping inflation from getting too high.

WASHINGTON – A top Federal Reserve official believes that the U.S. central bank needs to re-orient its thinking and policies toward fighting inflation that is too low, rather than its historic focus on keeping inflation from getting too high.

John Williams, president of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, said Thursday that the current environment of low inflation and low interest rates will likely persist for years. That is a challenge for Fed policymakers, because it means that they have less room to cut their benchmark interest rate in the event of a recession.

"For anyone who was trying to get a mortgage at a double-digit interest rate or seeing prices go up and up back in the days of high inflation (in the early 1980s), it's almost unthinkable that in 2020 central banks are pondering the opposite challenge: how to prevent inflation from being too low," Williams said in a prepared text for a speech delivered in London.

The Federal Reserve launched a review last year of its policy framework and tools in light of the challenges presented by low inflation and low borrowing costs. Fed officials expect they will quickly cut their short-term interest rate to zero during the next recession, leaving them less room to maneuver. Historically, the central bank has reduced rates by roughly 5 percentage points in a downturn. But its benchmark rate is now in a range of just 1.5 percent to 1.75 percent.

At the same time, inflation has remained stubbornly below the Fed's 2 percent inflation target for most of the past seven years. While few people are concerned by low inflation, the Fed prefers to maintain a cushion against deflation, a destabilizing drop in prices and wages.

Like most economists, Williams blamed slow population growth, an aging society, weak productivity growth and strong demand for safe assets like Treasuries for the long-term decline in borrowing costs.

"One key takeaway from these global trends is that interest rates and inflation are going to stay lower than we've come to expect in the past," Williams said.

The Fed should consider "doubling down" on its inflation target, he said. Americans' inflation expectations have begun to slip, which worries many Fed policymakers because expectations shape future inflation. If the public thinks inflation will stay low, for example, they are less likely to demand higher wages.

Diane Swonk, chief economist at consulting firm Grant Thornton, said doubling down could mean that the Fed, in its policy review, would clarify how long and how much it will let inflation overshoot its 2 percent target in the future. Overshooting could reverse the decline in inflation expectations.

Inflation expectations have fallen because of the Fed's inability to meet its target, Swonk said. According to the Fed's preferred gauge, prices rose just 1.5 percent in November from the previous year.

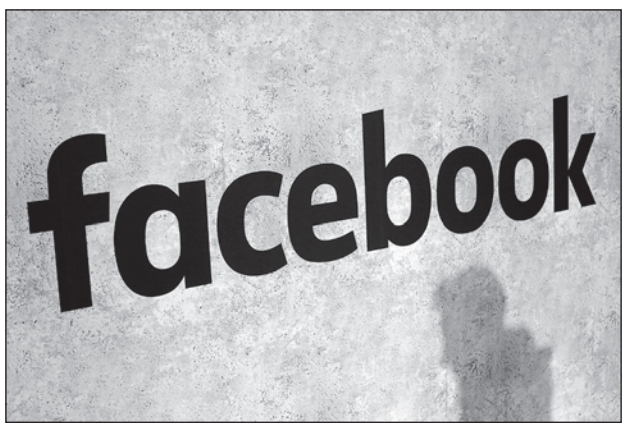
"A lack of credibility is one of their biggest problems," Swonk said.

Former Fed chair Ben Bernanke said at an economics conference on Saturday that central banks "have come almost full circle" since the days of runaway inflation several decades ago.

"Low inflation can be dangerous," Bernanke said. "The Federal Reserve and other central banks should defend against inflation that is too low at least as vigorously as they resist inflation that is modestly too high."

Facebook again refuses to ban political ads, even false ones

By BARBARA ORTUTAY and MAE ANDERSON
AP Technology Writers



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A Facebook logo is seen at Station F in Paris.

SAN FRANCISCO — Despite escalating pressure ahead of the 2020 presidential election, Facebook reaffirmed its freewheeling policy on political ads Thursday, saying it won't ban them, won't fact-check them and won't limit how they can be targeted to specific groups of people.

Instead, Facebook said it will offer users slightly more control over how many political ads they see and make its online library of political ads easier to browse.

These steps appear unlikely to assuage critics – including politicians, activists, tech competitors and some of the company's own rank-and-file employees – who say that Facebook has too much power and that social media is warping democracy and undermining elections.

And Facebook's stance stands in contrast to what its rivals are doing. Google has decided to limit targeting of political ads, while Twitter is banning them outright.

"Today's announcement is more window dressing around their decision to allow paid misinformation," said Bill Russo, a campaign spokesman for Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden.

Social media companies have been trying to tackle misinformation since it was learned that Russians bankrolled thousands of fake political ads during the 2016 elections to sow discord among Americans.

The fears go beyond foreign interference. In recent months, Facebook, Twitter and Google refused to remove a misleading video ad from President Donald Trump's campaign that targeted Biden.

Facebook has repeatedly insisted it won't fact-check political ads. CEO Mark Zuckerberg has argued that "political speech is important" and that Facebook doesn't want to interfere with it. Critics say that stance gives politicians a license to lie.

TV stations and networks aren't required to fact-check ads either, but social media gives candidates a certain advantage: the ability to "microtarget" their ads.

For instance, they can use information gleaned from voter rolls, such as political affiliation, and try to reach just those people. Or they can narrow the target audience to those who have shown interest in guns, abortion or immigration, based on what the user has read or talked about on Facebook. Candidates might even show one ad to young Democratic women interested in both gun control and climate change, and a different ad to everyone else.

Google, the digital ads leader, decided in November to limit political-ad targeting to just three broad categories – sex, age and location, such as ZIP code.

Under Google's policy, candidates would be free to show immigration ads next to immigration-related stories only; they wouldn't be able to show ads to just Democrats or Republicans, or target people specifically interested in immigration when they're reading about baseball or Beyonce.

Google said that approach aligns its policies with those of other media such as print, TV and radio.

Jason Kint, CEO of Digital Content Next, a trade group that represents digital publishers, said Google's ban on microtargeting is much better than Facebook's permissive stance. Making sure ads reach a wider, more diverse group of people can enable the public and the press to see, debate and correct claims in them, he said.

"Sunlight is the best disinfectant," he said.

Facebook said in a blog post Thursday that it considered limiting microtargeting for political ads. But it said it learned about the importance of such practices for reaching "key audiences" after talking with political campaigns from both major parties in the U.S., political groups and nonprofits.

The company said it was guided by the principle that "people should be able to hear from those who wish to lead them, warts and all, and that what they say should be scrutinized and debated in public."

Facebook does plan to let users choose to see fewer political and social-issue ads, although it won't let people exclude them entirely. It's also going to let people choose whether or not to see ads, political or otherwise, from advertisers that target them using their contact details, such as email address or phone number.

The company is also tweaking its ad library so people can search for exact phrases and limit results using filters such as dates and regions reached. Facebook's ad library currently lets anyone find out how much was spent on an ad, how many times it was seen, and the age, gender and location of the people who saw it.

Facebook also called for government regulation of political ads, saying private companies should not be the ones to make rules about them. Experts say one of the big problems with political advertising online is the lack of a federal standard about what is and isn't allowed.

Report: Grubhub considers sale as competition intensifies

By MICHELLE CHAPMAN and DEE-ANN DURBIN
AP Business Writers

Big changes could be coming to the food delivery business, where companies have been struggling with high costs and fickle consumers.

Grubhub Inc. – the second-largest player in the U.S. market by sales – is considering putting itself up for sale, The Wall Street Journal reported late Wednesday, sending shares up almost 13 percent. The stock continued to climb 1 percent to $55.33 Thursday on the news.

Chicago-based Grubhub said it would not comment on speculation.

Grubhub, founded in 2004, was a pioneer in the sector. But since then, it's been joined by Uber Eats, DoorDash, Postmates and others. As of November, DoorDash claimed 37 percent of the U.S. delivery market, while Grubhub held 30 percent, according to Second Measure, a data analysis company. Uber Eats had 20 percent share.

Still, Grubhub is the leader in some key markets, including New York, Chicago and Boston.

The companies are finding that customers jump freely between services to find the best deal, making it difficult to deliver stable sales numbers. Aggressive discounting and heavy marketing costs to win new users have also taken a toll on profits.

Grubhub has also been left out of some big deals. McDonald's began offering delivery through Uber Eats in 2017 but didn't add Grubhub as a partner until last fall. Chipotle has a partnership with DoorDash.

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**FILE NO.
2019-0142-DA-M**

Estate of: Diana Lynn Ruetz
Date of birth: 04/07/1961

TO ALL CREDITORS:*

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Diana Lynn Ruetz, died 01/03/2019.
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(P73923)
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49085
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS TRUST**

In the Matter of: Fred Oscar Younker and Ruth Younker Family Trust dated April 19, 2002

TAKE NOTICE: The Fred Oscar Younker and Ruth Younker Family Trust was established April 19, 2002. The Grantor was: Fred Oscar Younker, who lived 9015 Maplewood Dr., Berrien Springs MI, 49103 and who died December 26, 2019.

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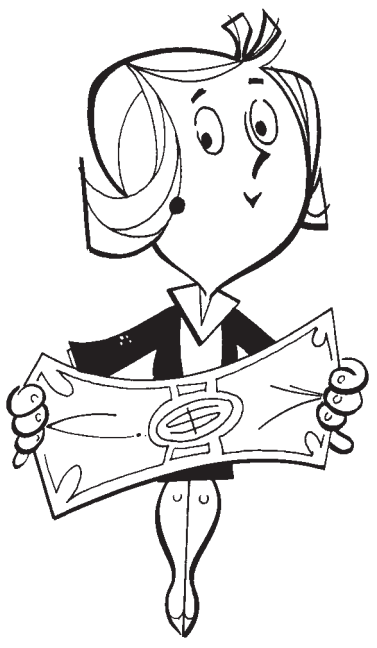

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BY EUGENIA LAST

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Make new plans. Discuss your options and desires. Sharing with a loved one will bring you closer together and will help you reach your goal, to boot.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Refuse to get tangled up in someone else's affairs. Put more emphasis on personal improvement, relaxation and quality time with loved ones. Exercise is encouraged.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do something novel. Experience is the spice of life, and doing something unique will spark your imagination and encourage you to make positive changes.

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take control, speak up and follow through with your plans. A passionate presentation will make it difficult for anyone to turn you down. A positive change is heading your way.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Take your time, wait and see what everyone else is going to do and make your move with precision and foresight. Haste will lead to a regrettable mistake. Make personal growth your priority.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be ready to embrace change. Discuss your options, see who is heading in the same direction and form a coalition with the people who can help you the most.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't take someone's word, as verification will be necessary if you want to avoid making a mistake. Put your energy into something gratifying. Physical activity will ease stress.

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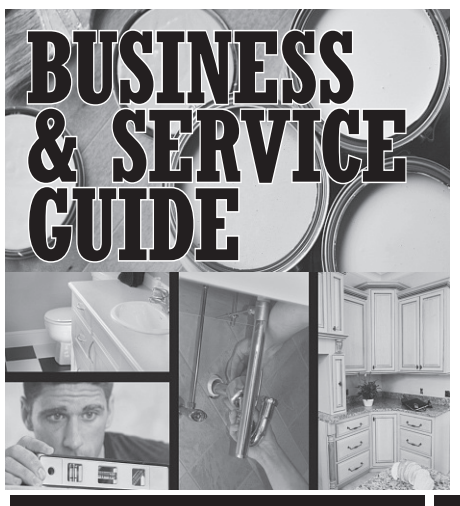

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